

Stout Outlook

Creating colorful connections

Students develop new packaging solutions for Binney & Smith

Students in UW-Stout's packaging program received professional experience first semester as they worked with Binney & Smith, the makers of Crayola products. The company charged the students with designing a new package for its eight-count washable markers.

"In consumer's minds, the current package does not present a connection to the product it contains. So, consumers usually dispose of the package," explained Dan Orlopp, a senior packaging student.

The students began their project by interviewing target markets, including children, parents, teachers and day care workers. They also evaluated the display needs of retailers.

While conducting interviews at UW-Stout's Child and Family Study Center, packaging students said they found that young children had trouble opening the existing marker packages. Also, the children's approach to organizing the markers varied. "Some would take one marker out of the package at a time, replacing it when they were done. Others dumped the whole package and let the markers roll all over," said Mike Gilgenbach, senior packaging student.

When student Kevin Davis talked to older children at St. Joseph's Catholic School in Menomonie, he received several inventive suggestions. According to Davis, the kids said they didn't want to play with "baby markers" anymore. "Some thought it would be cool to have markers that updated them on sports scores. Others thought it would be nice if the markers rolled back to them, like a yo-yo," he said.

Most parents, day care workers and teachers had more practical responses. They said they preferred Crayola brand markers because they lasted longer, according to members of the packaging class. Chad Ericson even interviewed single fathers, who he found were less concerned with clean up of the markers than the children's mothers were.

Graduate student Federico Gutierrez conducted additional evaluations focusing on Spanish-speaking communities. He said that Latin Americans are not as easily seduced as Americans are into buying a product because it has new, flashy packaging.

"This is a cultural difference," said the students' instructor, Ken Neuburg. "As American consumers, we see goods as expendable. Latin Americans focus more on durability."

The students said they had to work within a few design

perimeters set by Binney & Smith. For example, the company wanted to keep the familiar Crayola yellow and green colors a prominent feature of the design. They also took the company's present manufacturing and distribution processes into account.

"Still, the sky is the limit," said Neuburg. "These students are getting ready to begin their careers. I want to push them beyond the usual classroom exercises. This is applied theory all the way. The design portfolio they are developing will allow them to really shine during their upcoming interviews."

The students said they considered designs that would serve specific marketing purposes, including travel, gift-giving and seasonal packages. Because most of the people they interviewed said they often keep their markers in a container other than the package they come in, the students said they thought a practical solution would be a durable premium container that could be used to store the markers.

"This premium package would cost more, but the consumers would get a container that provides better storage. They would only have to buy it once, and then keep it supplied with refill packs," said Neuburg.

Split into three groups, the packaging students developed zippered plastic bags and resealable packages made of a shiny metalized film. They also designed a container similar to a zip disk or cassette tape holder. When opened, the container stands on its own, making the contents easy to find and replace.

Most of the students' designs were drafted using computer aided design. They produced prototypes in UW-Stout's various packaging and prototyping labs. In addition, they revisited their test markets to get responses to their prototypes.

For each of their recommended solutions, the packaging students developed specifications, identifying test and precision procedures, what materials were used, and the costs involved in producing the new packages.

The students provided all nine of their ideas to Binney & Smith and formally presented the three best designs to representatives of the company in December.

"Even more than for the solutions they came up with, I am proud of the students for the way they worked together and bonded," said Neuburg.



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Portable pioneers

In the Fall of 2002, all freshmen will be required to use laptop computers

Instructors involved in the new laptop pilots at UW-Stout are definitely breaking ground. Sure, other campuses are using laptops in the classrooms. Some are even launching wireless networks. But very few, if any, are combining this hardware with innovative classroom management software.

Integrating these three technologies into the classroom has not been an easy task. Part of the purpose of a pilot is to discover flaws, so instructors have spent the past semester resolving glitches in the new system. "All three technologies do things that we want to do. The obstacle is getting them to work in conjunction with each other," explained Bruce Maylath, director of the technical communication program.

Fortunately these brave instructors are ironing out technical problems before this initiative goes full scale in the fall of 2002, when all incoming freshmen will be required to use a laptop. To move the process along, they are currently pursuing a UW System grant to support seminars about teaching in new and exciting ways with notebook computers. Additionally, they are seeking funds to support a class that will introduce incoming students to the ins and outs associated with laptops.

Currently, all freshmen entering the technical communication program and the graphic communications management program are required to purchase either an iBook or a PowerBook. Both programs selected these models because most professionals in their fields use Apple computers.

These two programs are particularly well suited to adopt portable technologies. Both involve courses that require heavy computer use. Also, professionals working in these fields often travel or work from mobile offices and require laptops to communicate with clients and co-workers.

"We need to be pioneers to prepare students for their future," said Jim Herr, director of the graphic communications management program.

Faculty members who teach the laptop classes have had to be flexible enough to change their lesson plans at the last minute when they either cannot connect with the wireless network, or with their students' computers. And students have had to remain patient, often collaborating with their instructors to overcome technical obstacles.

Now, their process of trial and error has begun to bring exciting results. "This is a revolution. Wireless access allows much more flexibility and spontaneity in the classroom," said Maylath. For example, he can easily introduce hands-on computer activities without worrying about scheduling time in a lab months beforehand.

In addition, laptops promote group work. "Instead of sitting in a row in a lab, my students can sit in circles with laptops between them," explained Maylath. They pass their computers to each other, and type responses to what their classmates have written, he added.

Using classroom management software originally designed for computer labs, Maylath can view what is on a student's screen from his PowerBook and instantly send them his comments. He can also show the class examples of their fellow students' work on a projector screen connected to his laptop. While the student's work is on the screen, Maylath can manipulate the text by taking control of their keyboard from his own keyboard.

"I am having students do more in-class writing than I ever have before, because they can easily revise it. At first they were a little inhibited, knowing that I can see what they are writing, but they soon got over it," noted Maylath. When he is observing their screen, a graphic pair of eyes pops up on the student's menu bar. Maylath said he can turn this indicator off, but prefers to let the students know he is viewing their work.



Bruce Maylath gives pointers to a student working on her laptop computer.

Students are beginning to use their laptops to take notes as well. "They can search for a Web site while I am lecturing, gather relevant information and paste it right into their notes. This also allows them to easily incorporate their notes into the papers they write," said Maylath.

Instructors and students in biology and chemistry classes are also using laptops in innovative ways. For example, using special software and temperature and pressure sensors that plug directly into their laptops, students can simultaneously monitor and tabulate changes in temperature and pressure at precise, automatically timed intervals, said John Crandall, chemistry department.

In addition, they can see graphical presentations of the changes that are occurring in live time. "From this, students are better able to conceptualize those changes. Not only is the data being recorded much more precisely than before, but students can also manipulate that data for presentation in alternate forms and can then print their results," explained Crandall.

Students involved in the pilot can work on their laptops in the classrooms, the hallways, or even outside, providing they are within approximately 150 feet of a Lucent base station and not aligned with any steel obstructions. Each laptop must contain an "airport" card in order to connect with one of several base stations located in Harvey Hall, the Communication Technologies Building and the Science Wing.

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According to Herr, each station can process connections to approximately 10 laptops. For security purposes, Stout Solutions-Learning Technologies assigned each notebook computer a roaming Internet Protocol address. IP addresses ensure only students, faculty members and staff connect with UW-Stout's network.

Both Maylath and Herr said that the price of the laptops didn't seem to be a big issue with the students or their parents. Because the laptops are required for class, they were given the option to boost their financial aid to cover the cost. Those who were not eligible for aid had the opportunity to apply for a loan through Apple.

Still, only three students requested additional aid and two received Apple loans. The remaining 51 bought their computers outright, said Herr.

Because the University Bookstore is the university's Apple sales agent, they put together five different packages that include a printer, software and either an iBook or a PowerBook. They also offer additional software at an educational discount and help students with maintenance, said Sam Morey, University Bookstore manager.

If a laptop crashes, the students need to call a 1-800 number to discuss the problem with an Apple representative who will help them determine if they have a hardware or software problem. If the hardware is faulty, Apple sends an overnight express container. Morey said students usually get their laptop back in a week. The bookstore maintains two loaner laptops that students can check out in the meantime, he added.

Coordinating a classroom revolution

Vic Mincoff, UW-Stout's laptop initiative coordinator, is prepared to tackle his next technology challenge. He has been charged with developing a long-range plan to implement UW-Stout's laptop program. "Our intent is to deploy laptops to all incoming freshman in three consecutive years," he explained.

Born and raised in Montreal, Canada, Mincoff has worked with computers for more than 25 years. As computer technology has evolved, so has the nature of his job — from working in telecommunications to managing training centers to dealing with Y2K compliance issues.

Mincoff gained a great deal of experience implementing laptops while working for Labatt Brewing Company in Ontario. He helped introduce portable computers to 135 salespeople, allowing them to access past sales information while visiting merchants.

Currently, Mincoff is a consultant for Compuware, a company that builds technology solutions. Working for such a large company gives him a clear advantage. "If I need help with some aspect of a project, I can draw on the experience of some 15,000 other Compuware employees," he said.

To begin his plan, Mincoff has been meeting with a variety of people on campus and collecting their input. He said people seem open to the laptop initiative. "I have received a tremendous amount of positive feedback," he noted.

In addition to gathering information from faculty, students and staff, Mincoff is considering the pros and cons of the different vendors who may supply laptops to the UW-Stout campus. He pointed out that choosing one vendor over another is not just dependent on cost. Other factors include customer support, maintenance, trade-in allowances, upgrade capabilities and flexibility in renegotiating contracts.

Still, Mincoff indicated that student satisfaction is the most important element to consider during the planning process. He believes in giving students options, so that they can take responsibility for their own education. "We can make them aware of what their program suggests they purchase and what the industry standard is. Then, they can decide what laptop they will still be happy with at the end of four years," he said.



Mincoff

Stomping through the bogs

Nold receives National Science Foundation grant to study Wisconsin peat bogs

Stephen Nold, biology, has received a \$532,900 undergraduate research grant from the National Science Foundation’s Faculty Early Career Development Program. The CAREER program recognizes and supports the activities of beginning faculty members who demonstrate the potential to become leaders in their fields.

NSF has also nominated Nold for the Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers. PECASE is the United States government’s highest honor for scientists and engineers as they begin their careers.

During the five-year grant period, Nold will study bacteria that consume methane, a greenhouse gas. He will conduct his research in methane-producing peat bogs located in the Trout Lake Station, a Long-Term Ecological Research site in Northern Wisconsin.

“We are currently limited by the methods we use to study these organisms, which are very small—a micrometer in diameter. These peat bogs contain an enormous number of species, but we don’t know what the species are doing,” Nold said. “I plan to measure how

much methane particular bacteria are eating. This will link bacterial species’ identity to their activity, offering a new and hopefully useful method in microbiology.”

Trout Lake Station is located in Wisconsin’s Northern Highland Lake District in Vilas County. According to Nold, NSF supports crews to work in these research sites for 50 years or more. “Other people have studied the Trout Lake site and collected data for over 70 years. I will tap into that knowledge base as I work there,” he said. “I will also bring undergraduates up to Northern Wisconsin to stomp through the bogs to collect samples that we will bring back to study.”

To enhance the education of Nold’s students, the NSF grant also supports sending him to four weeklong summer workshops to learn how to incorporate cooperative learning strategies into his classroom. As a result, he will develop new courses and make improvements to existing courses, integrating activities that get students to solve problems together.

“I plan to hire a graduate student to study the effects of small-group learning in our Introductory Biology course. Hopefully, these efforts will act as a catalyst for

improving science education at Stout,” he said.

In addition, Nold plans to develop relationships between Stout and the emergent biotechnology industry in Wisconsin. “This grant will help build a research and education infrastructure that will supply a trained workforce to this growing industry,” he said.

Nold received his bachelor’s degree from UW-Stevens Point and his Ph.D. from Montana State University. After earning his degrees, he spent a year and a half in the Netherlands, where he also studied methane-eating bacteria. Before his arrival at Stout last January, Nold was at Michigan State University studying samples of Pacific Ocean sediment he collected on an oceanographic cruise.

To support grant-writing efforts in their college, Dean John Murphy and Associate Dean John Hunt organized a College of Arts and Sciences grant writing stipend. “Without that support, I would not have written this grant proposal,” Nold said. “I am grateful for the opportunity to think and write. Fortunately, my scientific peers liked what they read.”



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Applied Science

Undergraduate degree program is first in nation

A new applied science program to meet the demand in the business world for graduates who can adapt to rapid scientific and technical advances is now being offered by UW-Stout.

“This program will benefit students and the state economy by providing job skills that are in great demand by high-tech industries,” said Forrest Schultz, director of the applied science program.

The new program is unlike any in the nation, emphasizing flexibility through a broad scientific base along with practical experience. The curriculum is based on a core of chemistry, physics and biology. “Students entering the program will have the opportunity to study three areas of science. They will not have to focus on one area,” Schultz said.

Graduates of the program will pursue careers in pharmaceutical sales, biotechnology or laboratory management, or as technical support for scientific equipment or chemical sales. “This degree will provide a foundation that can lead to specific jobs, graduate

schools or even professional schools,” said Schultz.

Students in the program will also explore technical writing, data analysis, interpersonal communication, experiment design and basic business principles. This versatility helps students obtain the qualities that employers are looking for in today’s college graduates—interpersonal and problem-solving skills, high energy level and good judgment, Schultz said.

In the near future, technical school graduates will be able to pursue this four-year degree. Associate degree credits will transfer to UW-Stout with the consent of the program’s director. This 2 + 2 articulation agreement will allow students to earn an applied science degree without having to duplicate what they have already spent in time, effort or money.

UW-Stout’s new applied science program begins the fall semester of 2001. For more information, visit the program Web site at:

<http://www.uwstout.edu/programs/bsas/>



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Bridging cultural distances

Cerritos/Xavier links widen students’ perspectives

To bridge racial, ethnic, geographic and experiential boundaries, two instructors in the College of Arts and Sciences use video cameras and audio equipment to link classes at UW-Stout with classes at Xavier University in New Orleans and Cerritos College in Norwalk, Calif. While courses are often linked across long distances, this is the first time that a learning community has been created using distance technology to promote communication between students of different ethnic and cultural backgrounds.

Xavier University is the only historically black, Catholic university in the United States and Cerritos College is one of the most diverse community colleges in the country. “Pursuing an education means also widening your views to include how people from other cultures who have different experiences view the same issues.

This is very hard to do at Stout, where our student body is predominantly white and rural. Even if the students desire to have broader conversations, where can they find the opportunity to do so?” said Brian Fitch, of UW-Stout’s department of English and philosophy.

Students involved in the program become familiar with both synchronous and asynchronous technologies. Using Blackboard online course delivery, they participate in discussion threads about issues in their assigned readings for approximately ten days. They then take part in a 90-minute live discussion.

Last semester, Fitch’s English composition class was linked to a theology course and a philosophy course at Xavier. Alec Kirby, of UW-Stout’s department of social science, and an instructor at Cerritos College also created a link between their American history courses. At points

in the semester students participate in live discussions that include all five classes.

“We have discovered that the live discussions have a life of their own. It is not possible to guide them in a particular direction, but they always go to a really interesting place,” said Fitch.

So far, the linked courses have concentrated on race and ethnicity issues. Assigned readings include Martin Luther King, Jr’s *Letter from a Birmingham Jail* and DuBois’ *The Souls of Black Folk*. Next, instructors hope to begin talks about how all of these issues influence problem solving by linking a business ethics course at Xavier University with a UW-Stout business writing course.

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A quality experience

Baldrige Award team visits campus

UW-Stout was the only school to receive a site visit in 2000 for the new “education” category of the prestigious Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

Named for the former secretary of commerce, the award was established by law in 1987 to enhance the competitiveness of organizations by advocating quality awareness. It also promotes the sharing of successful performance strategies and the benefits of implementing such strategies. Since 1988, 37 organizations have received the Baldrige award, including IBM Rochester, Motorola Inc. and The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Co. In 1999, new education and healthcare categories were added.

“This is great recognition for UW-Stout,” Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen said. “The fact that we are the only school in the country to receive a site visit demonstrates the impressive processes and quality of this institution, the faculty and staff, and our students.”

The Baldrige performance quality criteria provide a guide to any organization that desires to improve overall performance. The criteria are used by thousands of diverse organizations to enhance employee relations, increase productivity and develop greater customer satisfaction.

Award applicants undergo a review process that examines achievements and improvements in seven categories:

Leadership—How senior executives guide the organization and how the organization tackles its responsibilities to the public and practices good citizenship.

Strategic planning—How the organization sets strategic directions and how it determines key action plans.

Customer and market focus—How the organization determines requirements and expectations of customers and markets.

Information and analysis—How the management, effective use, and analysis of data and information supports key organization processes and the organization’s performance management system.

Human resource focus—How the organization enables its workforce to develop its full potential and how the workforce lines up with the organization’s goals.

Process management—How key production/delivery and support processes are designed, managed and improved.

Business results—How the organization performs and improves its key business areas: customer satisfaction, financial and marketplace performance, human resources, supplier and partner performance and operational performance. Also, how the organization performs compared to competitors.

This was the second year UW-Stout applied for the award. The three and a half day site visit the university received in October 2000 is the farthest any post-secondary institution has ever risen in the award process.

To read UW-Stout’s Baldrige award application, go to: www.uwstout.edu/chancellor/mba/.

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At an all-time high

UW-Stout’s employment rate pushes 100 percent

Within six months of graduating, a record 99.6 percent of UW-Stout’s 1999–2000 graduates are working or continuing their education, according to Placement and Co-op Services annual employment report. Of those employed, 92.5 percent secured jobs in or related to their major.

Graduates from 20 of 24 degree programs reported 100 percent employment. The median yearly salary reported by all working graduates was \$30,000.

UW-Stout’s 1999–2000 employment statistics were positively influenced by the highest survey response rate the university has ever experienced, said LaMont Meinen, director of Placement and Co-op Services. Due to new services offered by his office, 92 percent of 1999–2000 graduates responded to the employment survey, compared to 84.9 percent last year. Using funds generated by the new access fees initiated by students, Placement and Co-op Services expanded their services to include evening hours. The staff also installed new software that allows students, employers and alumni to access their office through the Internet at any time.

Meinen pointed out several other reasons why nearly all of UW-Stout’s 1999–2000 graduates were employed soon after graduation. Each year more than 450 students participate in co-op programs, which makes them more appealing to prospective employers. “This practical work experience gives our students an edge in the job market,” Meinen said.

In addition, Placement and Co-op Services builds strong relationships with a variety of employers, from smaller “mom and pop” operations to Fortune 500 corporations, said Meinen. As a result, more than 500 employers come to UW-Stout to interview students on campus each year. Just during the three-day career conference in 2000, 315 employers recruited students,

and more than 2,550 students participated.

“Employers have been establishing a stronger presence on campus. They are hosting information sessions, sponsoring evening dinners, and presenting to classes and student clubs and organizations,” said Meinen.

Because the economy is currently unpredictable, Meinen said he is urging this year’s graduates to begin looking for a job early and to take advantage of every interview offered on campus. He indicated that by spring break, only 21 percent of college seniors had accepted a job this year, according to a recent survey by Collegegrad.com, an Internet job site.

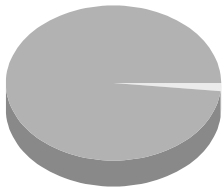
“Students will need to be more proactive in their job searches, start the process earlier and be willing to move to where a job is located,” said Meinen. “After four years of catering to students, employers will now ramp up their requirements and focus their efforts as the market tightens,” he added.

The outlook for new UW-Stout graduates remains promising despite the sluggish economy. According to Michigan State University’s 2000–2001 *Recruiting Trends Report*, the demand for new hires will still increase approximately six percent due to factors that include retirement and turnover.

“Because of UW-Stout’s distinctive array of programs that lead to professional careers and our strong mix of employers, I anticipate that our graduates will continue to find employment upon graduation in 2001 and 2002,” Meinen said.

Alumni can access the full employment report on the Placement and Co-op Services Web site at:

<http://www.uwstout.edu/place>



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‘Only hope’: To aid his country

Ugandan Fulbright Scholar will train entrepreneurs

Joseph Okiror, of Uganda, is a member of a select group. As a Fulbright Scholar, he went through a demanding application and selection process in order to reach his school of choice. He said he selected UW-Stout because its programs are unique, diverse and flexible. After two years of scholarship, Okiror will graduate this summer with a master’s degree in vocational and technical education.

Each year just 5,000 foreign nationals and United States citizens are awarded Fulbright grants. Through the program, foreign national students, teachers and professionals come to the United States to conduct research and study, and United States citizens do so in other countries.

As an assistant lecturer for the faculty of vocational studies and education at the Institute of Teacher Education Kyambogo, Okiror applied for a Fulbright grant to expand his entrepreneurship, technology, business and management skills in order to meet a growing need in his country.

“Our faculty is the only hope for the Ugandan government as regards its policy on education,” said Okiror. “In 1996, our government instituted free basic education for all children. This has resulted in the number of children at basic school level to rise from two million to six million,” he explained.

According to Okiror, the Ugandan government hopes to balance this sudden influx by encouraging faculty to introduce entrepreneurship concurrently with vocational studies. “The objective is to try to turn out

graduates who will be able to create jobs for themselves,” he explained.

Sarah Striker, the assistant director of the United States Information Services in Uganda, and David Abu, a Stout alumnus in Nigeria, advised Okiror that Stout had the classes he needed to expand his skills. “I strongly believe that the decision they guided me to, and that I took, will help me when I go home—not only to be a good instructor of technology skills and how to start small enterprises, but also to possibly be the dean of the faculty,” said Okiror.

As a Fulbright Scholar, Okiror has followed a rigorous schedule for two years. He pointed out that during the time of the grant period he is bound by three organizations—the Fulbright Program, UW-Stout and ITEK. So, he has had to be careful choosing his priorities. “The scholar has to walk the thin line of fulfilling the demands of all these organizations,” he said.

Still, Okiror encourages all students and educators to consider applying for a Fulbright grant to advance their careers. “Remember, though competitive, demanding, hectic and challenging, every year there are people going through it,” he said.

The Fulbright Program’s goal is to increase mutual understanding between people in the United States and people in other countries through educational exchange. The program was established in 1946 under legislation introduced by Arkansas Senator J. William Fulbright, and updated in 1961 by the Fulbright/Hays Act.



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Making News

People You Know

Blue Devils coaches honored

After leading his team to a 10-1 season and a perfect 7-0 conference record, head coach **Ed Meierkort** was named the American Football Coaches Association NCAA Division III Region 5 coach of the year, and was a finalist for the national coach of the year award. The honor is the oldest coach of the year award in football and is the only one voted on exclusively by the coaches. The worst-to-first finish also earned Meierkort the 2000 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference coach of the year honors.

Jeff Richards was named the 2000-01 WIAC gymnastics coach of the year, receiving the award for the second consecutive year. Richards, who is in his third year at Stout, has seen his young team continually improve on their team score throughout the season. Stout finished third in the WIAC meet, matching their best finish ever.

Terry Watkins was named the WIAC men's ice hockey coach of the year and eight players were named to the all-WIAC honorable mention squad. The Blue Devils finished the season with their best overall record (15-11-1) in Stout's varsity hockey history, but Watkins was honored for turning the team around in conference play. After finishing fifth of five teams last season with an 0-7-1 record, Stout finished second with a 5-3-0 conference record. The WIAC coach of the year award was Watkins' second.

For more information, see the *Blue Devil Report* on page six.

Staff members recognized by Who's Who

Stephanie Graber, speech communication, foreign languages, theatre and music; **Robert Horan**, English and philosophy; and **Julie Keown-Bomar**, social science, have been recognized in the sixth edition of "Who's Who Among American Teachers 2000." One or more of their former students selected them for their teaching excellence.

Graber is the director of bands and instrumental music at UW-Stout. Horan began teaching at UW-Stout in 1985 and has directed the University Honors Program since 1994. Keown-Bomar teaches courses in cultural anthropology and the sociology of minority groups at UW-Stout.

Retirees Honored

Twenty faculty and staff members who have retired or will retire in 2000-2001 from the university were honored at the annual Faculty and Academic Staff Retirement Dinner. Retirees recognized were **Robert Bolin**, Continuing Education; **Douglas Cumming**, art and design; **Jim Daines**, technology; **James Eggert**, social science; **James Herr**, communication, education and training; **Terry Ingram**, communication, education and training; **Dan McAlees**, Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute; **William McGuire**, mathematics, statistics and computer science; **Gail Misfeldt**, hospitality and tourism; **Harlyn Misfeldt**, Office of Teacher Education; **Tom Modahl**, Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute; **Robert Moran**, English and philosophy; **John Olson**, industrial management; **Michael Ritland**, psychology; **Stephen Snyder**, social science; **Don Stephenson**, education, school counseling and school psychology; **Charles Wimmer**, art and design; **Patricia Wimmer**, art and design; **Virginia Wolf**, English and philosophy; and **Eddie Wong**, art and design.

Other recognitions

Alec Kirby, social science, is the recipient of the university's first Diversity Award. The award is based on outstanding diversity efforts in the areas of new initiative or expansion of existing effort; clear leadership; role model; curricular efforts; and overall impact on campus, unit or department. Kirby is an assistant professor of history and government.

Dave Rosenthal, rehabilitation and counseling, has been awarded the prestigious Mary E. Switzer Rehabilitation Research Fellowship. Rosenthal will examine existing biases in the rehabilitation counseling field during his fellowship. The fellowship supports researchers who engage in studies that may ultimately improve services to individuals with disabilities.

Red Cross Dog, by **Patricia Zontelli**, art and design, was a finalist for the National Poetry Series and the Akron Poetry Prize. Zontelli's collection draws the reader into the compassionate, yet wild heart of the Red Cross dog, whose sturdy, selfless shoulders bear the heavy burden of saving humanity.

UW-Stout boosts purchases from minority vendors

For the past several years, the State of Wisconsin's Department of Administration has encouraged state agencies and UW System institutions to increase their purchasing activity with Wisconsin certified minority vendors. The state's goal is to ensure that 5 percent of the total amount expended is paid to minority businesses.

"The 5 percent goal is not mandatory, but the governor has expressed that he would like us to help these fledgling businesses grow," said Marilyn Mars, director of Purchasing Services. For UW-Stout, 5 percent of expenditures is equal to approximately \$500,000 annually.

"Because there are few minority businesses in the west-central part of the state, this goal is difficult to meet in our area. We have to go to the Twin Cities, Madison or Milwaukee," said Mars.

Still, UW-Stout has nearly tripled its purchases from minority vendors since the start of the state initiative—growing from \$153,000 in 1994-95 to \$426,000 in 1999-2000. Out of all the UW System campuses, UW-Stout ranks third in the amount of purchases from minority businesses. Only UW-Madison and UW-Milwaukee purchased more.

"Considering our location and that we have considerably less purchasing power than these two campuses, this is a real accomplishment," said Mars.

Out of all Wisconsin State agencies, UW-Stout

ranks fourteenth. Workforce Development, the agency that promotes the program, and the Department of Transportation topped the list.

UW-Stout surpassed last year's purchases by more than \$100,000. "It took a great deal of hard work, but there was cooperation all the way through the process," said Mars. Along with Purchasing Services, other areas on the campus contributed to this substantial increase, including University Dining Services, Housing and Residence Life, Physical Plant and University Publications.

Mars said the increase was also due to an upsurge in state contracts and bids awarded to minority businesses, including Universal Software Solutions, one of the campus' primary office software vendors. Additionally, she noted that cooperation between vendors and suppliers has risen. For example, UW-Stout buys paper products from Waupun Central Warehouse, who in turn has contracted with H. Derkson and Sons, a registered minority business. The campus' main office supplier, Boise Cascade, has also contracted minority businesses to supply their catalog.

In order to become a certified minority vendor, minority-owned businesses must apply for registration with the state's Minority Business Enterprises Program. The program increases opportunities for certified vendors to sell their products and professional services.

Sending a message about alcohol abuse

Drinking is often part of the social life for university students. Indeed, many UW-Stout alums will recall the house parties and the bar scene as part of their experience of attending the university. But misuse of alcohol is a growing problem on this campus and at institutions across the country, with dire consequences. Grades suffer, relationships deteriorate and the increased risks of being part of a sexual assault all are results of inappropriate use of alcohol. This must stop now. We are sending a clear message to our students: The party is over.

In reaction to some alarming statistics about alcohol consumption by some of our students, I have appointed a coalition to address problem drinking at UW-Stout. The coalition, with broad campus representation, has the following charge:

- Create a UW-Stout position statement regarding alcohol use and abuse.
- Coordinate and oversee alcohol abuse prevention initiatives.
- Review UW-Stout and UW System alcohol use and abuse policies, procedures and laws.
- Disseminate information on and enforce policy and laws.
- Invite parental involvement as an alcohol abuse prevention tool.

We have already launched an extensive advertising campaign in the school newspaper, *The Stoutonia*. The ads tell people that we are serious about addressing this issue and that students must understand that irresponsible use of alcohol will not be tolerated at this university.

If we are to be successful in our efforts, we need the help of our alumni. When you tell potential students about the wonderful education they will receive at UW-Stout, please point out that all of this can be wasted through irresponsible drinking and partying. Let young people know that drinking has adverse effects on their education and will hamper their chances for success in later life.

We are not opposed to the use of alcohol in social settings if it is done with responsibility and control. Help us get out the word. We have a great university with talented students and dedicated faculty. We will not let this atmosphere be poisoned by indiscriminate drinking.

Chancellor's Message



Charles W. Sorensen

"We are sending a clear message to our students: The party is over."

Research awards

Dale F. Thomas was named UW-Stout's Outstanding Researcher, and Learning Technologies, a unit within Stout Solutions, received the Nelva G. Runnalls Research Support Recognition Award.

Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen and Provost Robert A. Sedlak presented the awards during annual Research Day activities.

Thomas was chosen by a vote of the graduate faculty and principal investigators of extramurally funded projects. The Outstanding Researcher Award recognizes individuals for their leadership and significant contributions to research and scholarly activities.

Thomas is a senior research scientist for UW-Stout's Research and Training Center, and a practicing licensed psychologist specializing in rehabilitation psychology and clinical neuropsychology.

During his 17 years with the university, he has



Thomas

been involved in a wide range of activities, including developing federally funded research grant proposals, teaching, supervising student research studies, and publishing and disseminating research findings.

Thomas has represented the university through numerous publications and presentations. He recently completed a book chapter on Mood Disorders Following Brain Injury for a book on international perspectives on brain injury rehabilitation.

Learning Technologies, a unit of Stout Solutions, was recognized for providing media services and training opportunities that support faculty and staff in their research activities. The unit offers a variety of services, including Web-based course design, audio and video production, distance education technical support and computer-based multimedia design. In addition, the unit has received several grants from the UW System to expand and improve the use of technology in instruction and research.

UW Day highlights UW System's role in state economy

On March 7, friends of the UW System from throughout Wisconsin gathered in Madison for a one-day celebration of the system and its many contributions to the state.

"UW Day: Building Wisconsin's Future" was a special event that strengthened relationships between UW System institutions and government officials. It also reminded participating guests of the universities' strategic role in shaping Wisconsin's economic vitality.

UW Day began with a luncheon at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center for several hundred invited supporters representing every UW System institution. UW System President Katharine Lyall and Board of Regents President Jay Smith hosted the lunch and discussed current issues facing the UW System.

Lunch participants then had the opportunity to meet with their local legislators in the Capitol to discuss the value of the university in their communities and its impact on the state.

That evening, a reception was held at the Monona Terrace for approximately 1,500 alumni, business and

community leaders, government officials, and other friends of UW System institutions.

Students from around the state provided entertainment throughout the evening. The assembly hall also held numerous interactive exhibits featuring technology, educational programs and partnerships. UW-Stout offered exhibits featuring STEPS for Girls, a weeklong camp that introduces seventh grade girls to careers in engineering, technology and science; and solutions that packaging program students recently designed for Binney & Smith, the makers of Crayola products (*see cover story*). UW-Stout's College of Technology, Engineering and Management also displayed information about its Northwest Wisconsin Manufacturing Outreach Center.

David Miller, assistant vice president for UW System's university relations, coordinated UW Day. "It was a great opportunity," he said, "to showcase the strengths of our institutions, our students, and our faculty and staff. We had fun, but we also conveyed an important message to a key audience: the UW System is a vital part of Wisconsin's future."

Blue Devil Report

Athletic Hall of Fame inducts five



Peterson



Espe-Walsh



Lyons



Beaupre



Zuerlein

Four athletes and one coach were inducted into the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame. Tim Peterson, a quarterback for the football team in the late 1980s, Michelle Espe-Walsh, a setter for the women's volleyball team in the mid-1980s, Bill Lyons, a two-time all-conference men's basketball player in the early 1970s, Mike Beaupre, a men's gymnastics national champion in the early 1980s, and John Zuerlein, who started the men's gymnastics program in the early 1960s and finished his coaching career as the women's gymnastics coach, were inducted into the Hall of Fame, Saturday, Oct. 28, 2000.

Tim Peterson

Tim Peterson set the standard for all UW-Stout quarterbacks to follow. Peterson led the Blue Devil football team from 1986-89. After latching onto the starting role, Peterson began to rack up numbers that eventually would set 16 school records.

With Peterson at the command of a high powered offense, the Blue Devils led the NCAA Division III in passing in 1987. Peterson finished his career with 8,881 passing yards and 9,703 yards in total offense, both still school records that will be hard pressed to be broken.

After leaving UW-Stout, Peterson played with the Orlando Thunder of the short-lived World League of American Football, and had tryouts with the Minnesota Vikings and in the Canadian Football League. Upon completion of his playing career in Europe, Peterson turned to coaching with the Swedish national team, then returned to Minnesota as an assistant coach at Hutchinson High School.

Peterson currently resides in Hutchinson, Minn., where he is employed as a process engineer for Hutchinson Technology.

Michelle Espe-Walsh

Mish Espe was instrumental in the advancement of the Blue Devil women's volleyball program. As the team's setter from 1984-87, Espe set the standard for volleyball's quarterback position.

A team captain her final three seasons, Espe was an honorable mention all-conference choice as a junior, a first team pick as a senior, and the team's most valuable player as a junior and senior.

Known for her pinpoint accuracy with the set, Espe graduated from the Blue Devil program with the most career assists. She currently ranks third on the all-time UW-Stout assists list.

Following her UW-Stout playing career, Espe was an assistant coach for the Blue Devils for one season, then continued to play in a number of amateur leagues and tournaments around the country.

Espe currently resides in Elko, Minn., with her husband, Jamie Walsh, a former UW-Stout football player, and one child. Espe works for Telex Communications as an accounting supervisor.

Bill Lyons

Not only did Bill Lyons give the Blue Devils a scoring punch, he also provided the UW-Stout basketball team with leadership both on and off the court during his UW-Stout career from 1970-74.

"One of the best team leaders ever to come out of the program," said longtime UW-Stout coach Dwain Mintz.

And Lyons' leadership was a big part in the Blue Devils' success. During his career, the Blue Devils posted a 67-30 overall record.

Lyons was a two-time all-conference pick and was an NAIA District 14 choice in 1973-74 when he scored 563 points for a 21.6 points per game average, a total that is second on the Stout all-time single season list. Lyons scored 1,050 career points, currently ranking him 14th.

Lyons took his leadership, team concept and winning attitude into the business world, working as a general manager for McDonalds Corp, an area associate for STA Corp., vice president of operations for Applebees Franchise, and vice president of operations for Fairmount Capital Group, a position he currently holds while residing in Ohio.

Mike Beaupre

When Mike Beaupre looks back at his gymnastics career, the year 1984 stands out. As a member of the Blue Devils' men's gymnastics team, Beaupre saw both individual and team success.

As a team, the Blue Devils won the NAIA Gymnastics Championships, the only Stout team to ever win a national championship. As a team, the Blue Devils qualified to the NCAA Division II Gymnastics Championships, placing sixth.

After finishing second at the NAIA championships on the pommel horse to his teammate Paul Speltz, Beaupre kicked his routine into high gear and won the NCAA Division II pommel horse championship, qualifying to the NCAA Division I championships where he placed 65th. But the thrill of competing at the highest levels in an Olympic year left an imprint on Beaupre.

Beaupre competed against six members of the Olympic team at Pauly Pavilion at UCLA, the same location the Olympics would be held later that summer.

Larkin receives distinguished service athletic award

Since coming to Menomonie and Stout in the mid-1960s, Joe Larkin has had an impact on the UW-Stout and surrounding community athletic programs. For his efforts, Larkin received the UW-Stout Distinguished Service Athletic Award. The award was presented at the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame ceremony, Saturday, Oct. 28.

As the university's dean of students, Larkin was overseer of the UW-Stout Physical Education and Athletic programs for six years. Under his watch, the university returned men's hockey to varsity status and began work on the development of the Recreation Complex where he was a prime player in fund raising to negotiate contributions with numerous individuals,



Larkin

organizations and businesses. Larkin also helped to initiate the exclusive pouring rights for beverages on campus. Larkin began his first season as an administrative manager for the Blue Devil hockey team.

As the dean of students, Larkin was responsible for discipline of students and staff alike. Larkin was known as a stern taskmaster, but fair, as he handled disciplinary procedures.

Larkin played an important part in the establishment of artificial ice at the Dunn County Rec Park, working to raise funds to install the system in the late 1980s.

An active community member, Larkin has served 20-plus years as the chair of the Menomonie Board of Zoning Appeals.

Retired last year, Larkin is married to Linda, a retired Menomonie school teacher, and the couple have two sons, Jerry and Kevin.

During his UW-Stout career from 1979-84, Beaupre was a three-time NAIA All-American, a two-time NCAA Division II All-America and twice qualified to the NCAA Division I Gymnastic Championships.

Beaupre continued to work with the gymnastics program after leaving UW-Stout. Beaupre received his masters from UW-Stout in 1987, and returned to Menomonie in 1997 as the executive director of Indianhead Enterprises. Beaupre and his wife, Cindy, have four children.

John Zuerlein

John Zuerlein can only be termed as Stout's "Mr. Gymnastics." After coming to Stout as a student in 1959 from Lincoln, Neb., Zuerlein played a year of football. Zuerlein left Stout for two years, but returned in 1962 and turned his attention to gymnastics, starting the Blue Devil men's program while still a student and quickly turning the program into a national contender.

Zuerlein graduated from Stout in 1966, then joined the physical education and athletics department where he coached the men's program from its inception until 1983, and took over the women's program in 1979. Zuerlein was twice named the national coach of the year, and the conference coach of the year in 1992. Zuerlein coached seven individual national champions, 15 NAIA and five NCAA men's All-Americans, four NCGA women's All-Americans and numerous all-conference gymnasts. Zuerlein's men's team placed in the top four of the NAIA every year from 1970-83, and twice placed fifth in the NCAA Division II.

An avid outdoorsman, Zuerlein parlayed his interest into the classroom, establishing classes in map and compass, backpacking, canoeing and other similar classes. It was on one of Zuerlein's outdoor adventures with a class that Zuerlein would deal with his biggest setback. Zuerlein was severely injured in a fall in a remote part of a national forest. After his students evacuated him, Zuerlein was hospitalized, then required additional physical therapy.

Zuerlein prevailed and returned to both the classroom and the gymnasium. Zuerlein retired from coaching gymnastics in 1994 and from the classroom this past spring. He intends to enjoy the outdoors and his grandchildren.

Blue Devils Online



<http://www.uwstout.edu/athletics/>

Alumni can access information about UW-Stout athletics from anywhere in the world any time of day through the Internet. The Blue Devil Athletics home page includes schedules, preseason previews, coaches' biographies, history, records and season review stories. Also available are team rosters, feature stories, Hall of Fame, and up-to-date scores.

Blue Devils This Week is a weekly newsletter for fans of UW-Stout's athletic programs. It features a wrap-up of the previous week's competition and a brief look at the upcoming week in Blue Devil Athletics. The newsletter is posted on the athletics Web site each Monday afternoon, sometimes earlier, sometimes later.

Fans may read the newsletter in a variety of different formats. The Web version of the includes links to statistics, each sport's home page, and may also include some outside links such as the conference Web site for added details. A portable document format (PDF) version, viewable in Adobe Acrobat Reader, is available for more efficient printing. Readers may also subscribe to an e-mail version by sending a request (*Add to BDTW List*) to: pittl@uwstout.edu.

2000–2001 seasons shaping up to be memorable

Recent memory fails to turn up a sports season that proved to be as exciting as the 2000-01 season as UW-Stout took to the field, court and any other playing surface.

Football

No one, absolutely no one, predicted what the Blue Devil football team accomplished in 2000 — the first conference championship since 1965 and the first-ever NCAA Division III playoff berth.

But the season didn’t start off so promising. The team picked to finish no better than seventh suffered a big blow when projected starting tailback Aaron Johnson was severely injured in a hit-and-run accident the day before training camp was to open. The much liked Johnson—he was named the team’s most valuable player even though he never suited up—survived the ordeal and proved to be the inspiration as UW-Stout climbed to the top.

A defense that ranked in the top in the country shut down many an offense, holding five teams to negative rushing yardage, and a rejuvenated offensive running attack carried UW-Stout to a perfect 7-0 conference record and a best-ever 10-1 overall record, their only loss coming in the first round of the NCAA playoffs. Freshman tailback **Luke Bundgaard** (*Weyerhaeuser*) set a school rushing record by running for 1,336 yards.

Defensive lineman **Jeff Hazuga** (*Sr., Thorp*) led 15 UW-Stout players named to the all-conference team, was named the conference player of the year, and was named to five All-America teams after recording 14.5 sacks.

Punter **Kevin McCulley** (*Sr., Fond du Lac*) was named to four All-America teams, and offensive lineman **Jeff Hutter** (*Beldenville*), and defensive back **Tony Beckham** (*Jr., Ocala, Fla.*) were named All-America. Ed Meierkort was the conference and regional coach of the year.

Women’s Soccer

Becky Howard (*Sr., Wauwatosa*) led the Blue Devils charge on the soccer pitch, and was only the second Blue Devil named to the all-region squad. Howard, a two time all-conference pick, leaves the program as the all-time assists leader and was second in scoring. The Blue Devils posted a best-ever 5-3 conference record and were 8-9 overall.

Volleyball

The Blue Devils put together their best overall finish since the 1994 season as they posted a 24-12 overall record. **Brooke Palmer** (*Jr., Mantorville, Minn.*) was a first team all-conference pick and led the team in kills with 477. **Rachel Eidet** (*Jr., North Mankato, Minn.*) was an honorable mention choice and was the team’s leader with 460 digs.

Men’s Cross Country

Dave Huber (*So., Mendota Heights, Minn.*) made his first trip to the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships after placing 17th at the regional meet. Huber placed 70th of 215 runners at the national meet.

Women’s Tennis

Tammy Petcher (*Fr., Marshfield*) and **Rachael Weber** (*Fr., Holmen*) placed third in the WIAC Championships at No. 2 doubles. Petcher was fifth at No. 4 singles.

Women’s Cross Country

Hired only a week before the Blue Devils opened training camp, Joe Harlan laid the groundwork for his program. UW-Stout place in the top half of the regional championship and was sixth at the WIAC Championships.

Men’s Basketball

First year coach Eddie Andrist brought a new look to the Blue Devils. Emphasizing defense, Stout consistently played all of the conference teams on an even keel, but came up short as they earned the No. 8 seed in the conference tournament.

But UW-Stout (14-12, 6-10) showed they had promise. After not winning a single road conference game, the Blue Devils took to the road to face No. 1 seed Whitewater and blew the Wahawks off their own court, 90-49, in the most lopsided playoff game ever.

Aaron Vachowiak (*Sr., Wausau*) leaves the program with the career record for shooting percentage, connecting on 60.8 percent of his shots. Vachowiak was a first team all-conference pick and **Pat Von Feldt** (*Sr., Stevens Point*) was an honorable mention choice.

Women’s Basketball

A traditionally strong women’s program did not disappoint, even though the roster was more than 50 percent freshmen. UW-Stout placed third in the league with an 11-5 conference record and posted an 18-7 overall record, their best finish in four seasons despite losing a starting point guard and post player before the season began and another point guard seven games into the season.

Amy Zelinger (*Jr., Racine*) led the team, making the move to the point spot, and was named to the All-WIAC team and the WIAC all-defensive team after leading the league in steals. **Tanya Halbach** (*So., Janesville*) was an honorable mention choice.

Men’s Ice Hockey

The Blue Devils enjoyed a renaissance of sorts, putting up their best overall record ever (15-11-1) and finished fourth in the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association to earn the right to host their first-ever NCHA playoff series.

Coach Terry Watkins, a Stout graduate and former Blue Devil player, earned his second WIAC coach of the year award. Eight players were named to the WIAC honorable mention squad, and defenseman **Cullen Flaherty** (*So., Duluth, Minn.*) and goalie **Justin Wiskie** (*So., Janesville*) were named to the NCHA honorable mention team.

Gymnastics

The Blue Devils spent the entire season breaking both team and individual records.

Tasha Pasch (*So., Northfield, Minn.*) captured her second consecutive WIAC all-around title, and coach Jeff Richards was named conference coach of the year for the second year. **Katie Hanson** (*So., Duluth, Minn.*) and **Erika Opoien** (*So., Superior*.) were also named all-conference.

Hanson and Pasch were named All-America all-arounders, with Pasch finishing eighth and Hanson 10th. Hanson, Pasch and Brenna Jones (*Sr., St. Paul, Minn*) were also All-America on individual events, Hanson placing fifth on the bars, Pasch fifth on the vault and Jones sixth on the floor.



① Luke Bundgaard set a new single season rushing record of 1,366 yards for the conference champion Blue Devil football team. ② First team All-American Jeff Hazuga prepares to level the St. John’s quarterback in the Blue Devils’ first-ever NCAA Division III playoff game. ③ Becky Howard was named to the All-Region soccer team after leading the Blue Devils in scoring. ④ Middle hitter Brooke Palmer was named to the all-conference volleyball team for the second consecutive year. ⑤ Dave Huber advanced to the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships where he placed 70th of 215 runners. ⑥ Megan Schwanbeck was a foundation to a building program for the Blue Devil tennis team. ⑦ Ellen Everson was one of many Blue Devil cross country runners that stepped up her game under first year coach Joe Harlan. ⑧ Aaron Vachowiak leaves the Blue Devil basketball program as the all-time field goal shooting percentage leader. ⑨ After early season injuries took their toll on the Blue Devil women’s basketball roster, Amy Zelinger moved to the point guard spot where she was named all-conference. ⑩ Cullen Flaherty was one of the many reasons the Blue Devil hockey team had a record setting season. Flaherty was named all-conference in two leagues. ⑪ Katie Hanson earned All-America honors on the uneven bars and as an all-arounder. ⑫ Tasha Pasch earned All-America honors on the vault and as an all-arounder.

Stout Foundation Report

Foundation Support to UW-Stout

In the last issue of the *Outlook*, the most recent faculty members honored with professorships were acknowledged. What we didn't share with you in that article was how a faculty member becomes a professor or named chair.

Donors have long been very generous in providing endowments which provide a specific amount of money each year above one's salary to fund special research projects, curriculum development and/or other activities related to their respective field of study. A donor may endow a professorship at the \$500,000 level, while the endowment required for a named chair is \$1.5 million. The corpus remains and only the earnings from each endowment are used by the named faculty member; therefore, the individual or family recognizes the fact that the chair and/or professorship will be awarded in perpetuity.

One year after the endowment is in place, earnings are available for the awards. Faculty members apply for the Dahlgren professorships or the Ranney Price professorship through the Faculty Senate. The other professorships and named chair awards are made by the dean in concert with the provost and chancellor. Most professorships are two years in length. The named chairs are usually awarded for a three-year period.

UW-Stout is very proud of the fact there are seven endowed professorships and two endowed chairs available to the faculty. With the selection and recognition of the professors and named chairs this past semester, the Stout University Foundation has awarded a total of \$694,708 dollars to 68 faculty members. The first professorships were awarded in 1987. It is exciting to realize that the dollars provided by the foundation usually are the impetus for additional funding (*challenge grants*) from business, industry and corporations for research or other program initiatives.

At the fall opening session, the current professors were acknowledged. This past January, Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen awarded medallions and plaques to the former professors and named chairs. Last but not least, the retired faculty who were awarded professorships during their tenure will be presented with their medallions and plaques at the May faculty retirement dinner.

We talk a lot about our scholarship program and the award ceremony which takes place on campus the first day of classes in the fall. For the current academic year, the foundation awarded 532 scholarships, totaling more than \$500,000. We talk about these numbers frequently.

Here are some of the other facts about the scholarship awards.

On average, the foundation receives about 1,000 applications per year, and the scholarship coordinator is anticipating even more applications for the 2001-2002 year. Of those, 631 are from females, 380 from males and almost half of the total from incoming freshmen. About two-thirds of the scholarships have restrictions. For instance, many are restricted to a specific major, class year or grade point average. The coordinator reports that three-quarters of the applications are submitted in the last two days before the deadline of March 1.

The students are requested to provide three copies of their application. The copies are distributed to members of the foundation's scholarship committee who read and evaluate all the applications. Each application is ranked by three readers, and committee members then evaluate the applications on a numerical scale. These numbers are plugged into a computer program that ranks and sorts the applications. Many of the committee members are Stout graduates who also benefited from scholarship support when they were students.

The scholarship application is currently available online in a printable format and at various locations throughout campus. Next year applicants will be able to fill in the application online. Each year the deadline is March 1.

This year's scholarship awards ceremony will be held Tuesday, September 4. The foundation's Board of Directors hosts a dinner prior to the ceremony to thank the generous donors who support student scholarships on the UW-Stout campus.

Questions about establishing a scholarship or applications may be directed to the Stout University Foundation.

Many thanks to our donors who graciously support student scholarships, professorships and chairs. None of these opportunities would be possible for our students and faculty without their support.

President's Message



Dale Granchalek

Wesley Sommers Campus Beautification Fund

While serving as assistant chancellor for administrative services at UW-Stout, Wes Sommers was instrumental in upgrading the quality of campus groundskeeping. He started the Wesley Sommers Campus Beautification Fund to ensure that Stout continues to maintain campus grounds. His fund made possible a new prairie restoration in front of the Library Learning Center.



At the left: (l-r) Wes Sommers, retired assistant chancellor; Jerry Bowker, grounds maintenance gardener; Joe Jax, Library Learning Center Director; and Chuck Bomar, associate professor of biology.

Remembering

David R. Fesler, 72, Former President of the Stout University Foundation Board of Directors

David R. Fesler, former owner of the Liberty State Bank in St. Paul, Minn., and active member of the Stout University Foundation, died of pancreatic cancer January 18. He served as a board member and president of the Stout University Foundation during its formative years. He supported the Fryklund Campaign, the Fesler/Lampert Scholarship for Women, and donated the Caprice Glaser wooden quill art piece located in the Memorial Student Center, which serves as the centerpiece for the donor hall of fame.

Fesler and his wife, BJ, supported about 200 organizations. "We've always been truly interested in every institution to which we gave," BJ said. "We derived much pleasure from talking with our scholarship recipients, attending their award ceremonies and witnessing their progress."

The Stout University Foundation is thankful for the years David served on the board.



Fesler

Sandra J. Gill Memorial Scholarship Established

Sandra Jean Gill, 59 died Monday, January 29, 2001 after a courageous battle against breast cancer. She earned her bachelor's degree in home economics education from UW-Stout in 1961 and her master's degree in 1967. In 1983, she went on to earn her doctorate in vocational technical education from Washington State University. Gill accepted a position at UW-Stout in 1969 as a professor of vocational home economics teacher education and supervisor of home economics student teachers and interns.

Gill served on a variety of university-level committees including the Faculty Senate, Personnel Policies Committee, and the University Alumni Relations Committee. She directed extensive research projects and was published in her professional organizations. Gill was chair for the Student Member Advisory Committee of the American Home Economics Association and adviser for the state officers of the Student Member Section. She retired December 30, 1998 and was granted professor emeritus status.

Gill considered her work with students as most important and enjoyable. She worked tirelessly with her advisees and those students involved in the American Home Economics student professional organization.

A scholarship in Gill's honor and memory has been established by her family and friends. Memorials may be sent to the Stout University Foundation for the Sandra Gill Scholarship Fund.



Gill

Dewey and Garrott Barich Scholarships Established

Dewey Barich passed away February 9, 2001 at his home in Green Valley, Ariz.

He graduated from the Stout Institute in 1934. In 1958 he was named president of the Detroit Institute of Technology. As DIT's president, he guided the institute to college status. After retiring from DIT, the Barichs moved to Arizona where Dewey was active in Rotary and the Episcopal Church. The family has established the scholarship in memory of Dewey and his brother, Garrott '37, who passed away in 1993. Memorials may be made to the Stout University Foundation, directed to the Dewey and Garrott Barich Scholarship.



Barich

Joel P. Wagner Scholarship Established

Joel Wagner passed away January 15 at his home. He was a senior at UW-Stout majoring in marketing education with a concentration in business education and minors in history education and coaching. Joel was currently basketball coach for the sixth grade Menomonie All-Stars and ninth grade basketball for Eau Claire Memorial.

Joel would have graduated Magna Cum Laude from Stout in May.

Family and friends have established a scholarship in his memory. The scholarship will provide financial assistance to an individual in the marketing education program. The first award will be presented this coming fall. Anyone wishing to contribute to the scholarship fund may make their checks payable to the Stout University Foundation and indicate the gift is to be restricted to Joel's scholarship fund.



Wagner's sixth grade team raised funds to contribute to the scholarship established in his honor. (l-r) Linda Wagner (Joel's mother), Nick Chastan, Zach Mora, Justin Wagner (Joel's brother and now coach), Sean Olson, Nathan Fekote, Nathan Bauer, Adam Weiss, Cody Stanton and Corey Bundrant.



Wagner

New foundation board members

At the September annual meeting of the Stout University Foundation board, Dale Granchalek '69, president of the board, welcomed three new board members: Tom Kornegor '68, director of package engineering, 3M- St. Paul, Minn.; John Meyer '70, senior instructional technologist, Johnson Controls Inc., Milwaukee, Wis.; and Shirley Simmons, retired co-owner of a graphic management business, Minneapolis. Kornegor and Meyer will serve on the grants and public relations committees while Simmons will serve on the scholarship committee.



Kornegor Meyer Simmons

Board members continuing include Donna Albrecht BS '68, MS '69; David P. Barnard BS '46, MS '47; James A. Bolm BS '58, MS '63; Linda Funk '76; Dan Hampton '71; Deanna House '61; Gloria Kelly '68; Walter Kirchhoff '85; Lyle Martens BS '57, MS '62; Karen Martinson '82; Dennis Moline '84; Ralph Myhrman BS '50, MS '54; Gus Myran; Dan Ostermann BS '91, MS '92; Kathy Sandstrom Kronforst '84; Kathleen Skarvan; Donna Skidmore '76; Claudia Smith; Chancellor Emeritus Robert S. Swanson BS '49, MS '50; Donald Tietz '51; Lou Tiffany '78; Dorothy Traisman '52; and Steve VandeBerg MS '75.

Barnards establish Library Learning Center Outstanding Service Award

The university is indebted to the David and Kay Barnard family, who have established the Library Learning Center Outstanding Service Award with an endowed gift to the Stout University Foundation. The purpose of the award is to recognize staff members who have achieved above and beyond what is required in their position description, and who have made outstanding contributions in serving the information needs of students, faculty and staff. The first award winner will be announced this spring.

Joe Jax, director of the Library Learning Center, noted, "This is a very significant and unusual gift which will reward library staff in a way that would not be otherwise possible. We are very grateful to the David P. Barnard family for their benevolence."



David and Kay Barnard

Former roommates agree that bequests benefit many

Forty years ago, Ralph Troeller '62 and Bob Wernsman '62 shared a room in the Delta Kappa fraternity house at Stout State College. Stout had about 600 students, and Lynwood Hall was the only dorm for men.

"I remember taking road trips to Ithaca, N.Y., to attend national fraternity meetings," Troeller said, "and having Bob and other fraternity brothers help paint my first house." He also recalls having a great time in school, and staying connected to Stout throughout his life.

Although the former roommates haven't seen each other in decades and their lives have been quite different during that time, they have at least one wonderful thing in common. Troeller and his wife, Carol, and Wernsman and his wife, Darlene Breheim Wernsman '62, have included a bequest to the Stout University Foundation in their wills.

"Stout has always been good to me," Troeller said. That is one of the reasons he decided to include a bequest to the Stout University Foundation in his will. He earned his bachelor's and two master's degrees at Stout, and also worked on a specialist in education degree here.

"I wasn't planning to attend college," Troeller said. "I worked as a welder after high school but quickly decided I didn't want to do that for life. My high school industrial arts teacher suggested that I go to Stout, and he helped me get in at the

last minute." He credits Harold Halfin with helping him make it through Stout.

When Troeller retired to Las Cruces, N.M., three years ago, he was serving as vice president of academic affairs at Gateway Technical College in Racine, Wis. Throughout his years at Gateway, he was able to stay connected to Stout through teaching, serving on an advisory committee and the state's technical education system.

"I needed to give something back," said Troeller of the decision he and his wife, Carol, made to include Stout in their will. Ralph and Carol plan to leave all of their estate to charities—including UW-Stout. In their original will, the couple, who have no children of their own, made bequests to their nieces, nephews and children of friends. Now that those children are grown and doing well on their own, the Troellers have chosen to distribute their assets in other ways.

"Everybody else's kids were ours, and we planned to provide for them. By giving our estate to charities, we're providing for even more children," Troeller said.

Ralph and Carol are demonstrating that focus on youth through their giving. In selecting charities, they divided their estate in half with each of them choosing their favorite charities. Carol is directing her half to her alma mater, the University of Northern Iowa. Ralph is directing

half of his half to UW-Stout, and the remainder to hospice, a Kiwanis camp for disabled youth, and the White Buffalos—a program for children with cancer.

Meanwhile, across the country in King George, Va., Bob and Darlene Wernsman were making similar plans.

Bob Wernsman and Darlene Breheim met at Stout, and during those years they were involved with various activities. At that time Stout was growing and still a state college.

Following graduation, Darlene worked as an extension agent in Shawano County for two and a half years. Bob joined the Navy before graduation in June 1962, finished Officer Candidate School in October and started to see the world. They were married at the Charleston Naval Chapel in December 1964 and spent the next 30 years moving and working with the Navy and its families. Today, their three grown children have successful careers in three different fields.

The Wernsmans felt strongly about the importance of their children receiving a college education, and the importance of children taking financial responsibility for their educations. "We appreciated the scholarships that our children received and the people who made those scholarships possible," they said. "We want to help make those opportunities available for others."

"We believe that by making a bequest to Stout, the university will be able to continue to provide students with the knowledge for today's world," they said. "The areas of education at Stout today are expanded beyond the belief of anyone graduating from Stout State College in 1962. It is an institution on the cutting edge with high standards and ever-increasing foresight."

Because the Troellers and Wernsmans have included the Stout University Foundation in their estate plans, they are all members of the Bowman Society. The Bowman Society recognizes individuals who have included UW-Stout in their will or a trust, who have established charitable gift annuities or charitable remainder trusts with the foundation, or who have named Stout as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy or retirement plan. Plans are now being made for the first Bowman Society recognition event.

"Everyone has the ability to make a major gift when they plan to give through their estate," said Patti Bender, planned giving officer for the foundation. "A planned gift to the Stout University Foundation benefits your family, as well as the university. Your giving demonstrates to your family and friends that you believe in the importance of higher education. Plus, there can be significant tax benefits to an estate gift."

For more information, please call Patti Bender at 715/232-1151.

Stout University Foundation

Annual Fund

Statistics for 1999—2000

5,165 donors	12% total alumni contributed
\$384,435 from alumni and parents	14% total parents contributed
\$20,215 from corporate matching gift programs	897 new donors this year
\$49.90 average gift for annual fund campaign	22 student phonathon callers
	18 faculty and staff callers

Thank you for your generous annual support!



2000—2001 Phonathon Calling Crew. Back row (l-r) Jessica Ballweg, Kari Stauss, Jen Sullivan, Lindsey Johnson, Nicole Pilney, Angela Bowe and Leigh Banks. Front row (l-r) Kelly Weedman, Jessica Skille, Nic Haug, Betsy Huston and Angie Karker.

Scholarships

The Stout University Foundation awarded more than 400 scholarships this past year, thanks to the generosity of alumni, friends, business and industry. Adding to that number, the following scholarships have been established to provide financial support to students fulfilling their goal of an undergraduate degree.

Mueller / Orfield Endowed Applied Science Scholarship

A scholarship in honor of Bill Mueller and Mary Orfield has been established to recognize their outstanding research record. The endowed scholarship will be awarded for the first time this fall to a student majoring in applied science, one of UW-Stout's newest majors.



Mueller

Orfield

Mary and Bernard Orfield Annual Scholarship

Bernard and Mary Orfield, professor of chemistry, have established an Applied Science Annual Scholarship. Mary was instrumental in designing the new applied science degree program. She and Bernard wanted to promote the program with this scholarship. "Scholarships attract talented students to each program, and this scholarship will help promote the applied science degree and offer significant financial assistance," said John Murphy, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "We are most appreciative of the Orfields' commitment to UW-Stout and specifically to the applied science program."

Karl A. Kolb and Ernie Weller "Fathership is Heroism" Scholarship

This general endowed scholarship was established as a Christmas gift for his parents by Karl G. Kolb, Colonel, U.S. Army (*Ret.*), and assistant professor of industrial management at UW-Stout. Kolb established the scholarship in honor of his father and grandfather "so that their ideals can live on indefinitely through a perpetual gift to a deserving student."

"General scholarships are especially appreciated," said Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen, "because they give us the flexibility to direct the funds to where the need is greatest."

Ruth Kunz Conone Child and Family Studies Endowed Scholarship

Ruth Kunz Conone '69, has always enjoyed the field of education. In 1985, after completing her doctorate at UW-Madison and serving as a professor of education at several institutions, she became associate dean of Extension for Ohio State University and was assistant director for extension family living. She retired from OSU in 1998.

Currently she has a consulting firm, offers educational tours and creates hand-knitted designer sweaters.

Conone has established an endowed scholarship in the College of Human Development to be awarded to a junior or senior majoring in child and family studies.

She explains, "I had a great education at UW-Stout and want to do my part to ensure that future students have the same opportunity."

The first scholarship will be awarded this fall.



Conone

Chris Huston Endowed Construction Scholarship Fund

In 1991, Chris Huston was the very first student to graduate with a major in construction. His family was so pleased with the education and experiences Chris received at UW-Stout, that Richard Huston and Glenda Taylor Huston established the Chris Huston Endowed Construction Scholarship to honor both Chris and the construction faculty at UW-Stout. The first \$1,250 scholarship will be awarded in the fall of 2001. Chris and his family worked with Hans Timper, construction program director, to develop criteria for the scholarship. "The Huston's generosity will be a great benefit for construction students at UW-Stout," Timper said.

Lynn Quadracci and Dennis Blum Endowed Scholarship

Lynn '75 and Dennis '75 have established an endowed scholarship to a student majoring in retail merchandising and management. Lynn received her bachelor's degree in home economics in business, and Dennis received his bachelor's degree in industrial technology.

"We have worked in retail sales for the past several years and see a real need for qualified professionals. This is a wonderful way we can help support a student and enhance our profession as well," said the Blums. "We are looking forward to being part of the Stout University Foundation Scholarship program."

Ruth E Westfall Scholarship

After many years of supporting UW-Stout as a loyal alumna, Judy Rommel BS '71, MS '76, professor in UW-Stout's College of Human Development, established this annual scholarship in honor of her mother, Ruth E. Westfall. A high school graduate, Ruth managed her home and family as a true family and consumer science professional, and served as Judy's inspiration. The scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in early childhood, human development and family studies or family and consumer educational services, who has demonstrated financial need and has a grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Society of Manufacturing Engineers Indianhead Chapter 335 Scholarship

Indianhead Chapter 335, a local chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, established a \$500 annual scholarship for an outstanding student pursuing a career in manufacturing engineering in the Chippewa Valley. "We want to recognize the efforts of students in these fields," said Judy King Gehler '00, co-chair of the chapter. The first scholarship will be awarded this fall to a student majoring in manufacturing engineering or industrial technology, who is a member of the UW-Stout SME Student Chapter, and has a grade point average of 2.5 or better.

SAM Scholarship established

The Society for Advancement of Management, a Stout Student Association recognized organization, is the first such organization to have a scholarship in their name.

While still a senior at Stout, David "Noah" Seis came to the Alumni Association with a request to provide financial assistance so that members of SAM might have some resources to attend professional conferences.

Seis stated, "I have been extremely fortunate in having financial support from my family and I would like to give back to the organization I believe had a positive impact on my educational experiences." With an initial gift of \$1,000 Seis is the first student to start an endowed scholarship.

Upon hearing his commitment to this scholarship and his great appreciation for their love and support, his parents also contributed to the fund.

After graduation, Seis began his professional career with Qwest Network Construction Services. He attributed his ability to obtain such a wonderful job to his education from UW-Stout. "The education I received was second to none," he said. "This is my way of giving some return to a great college."



Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen, Nicole Bielen '00, Noah Seis '00 and James Maxwell.

Anna Marie Sorensen Endowed Travelship

This scholarship fund is in honor of Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen's mother, Anna Marie (*Madson*) Sorensen. Born in Audubon, Iowa, on March 10, 1906, she passed away on August 20, 1994, at the age of 88. She married Peter Sorensen in 1929 on the eve of the great depression and raised six children. Anna achieved an eighth grade education, common in rural America at the time, and insisted that each of her children go beyond that. She realized early that a strong education meant a better life, and she wanted each of her children to achieve success.

Remembered by family and friends alike as a strong, compassionate, caring individual, this scholarship symbolized the deep and abiding faith Anna had in the role education plays in achieving the American dream.

The first Sorensen Travelship will be awarded this fall to a student pursuing a semester studying abroad.

Jerry Balistreri Technology Teacher Education Faculty Travel Fund

The Jerry Balistreri Technology Teacher Education Faculty Travel Fund has been established by the Technical Foundation of America (TFA). TFA established the award to recognize the significant contributions that Jerry Balistreri BS '74, MS '77, has made in seeking to effect change in trade and industrial technical education and technology education. The fund will provide travel funds for technology teacher education faculty members with preference for those traveling to attend the International Technology Education Association (ITEA) conference. "As I reflected back on any contributions I have made to the profession, it would have been due to the excellent training, advice, guidance and wisdom I had received from many fine professors at Stout," Jerry said of his decision to direct the funds to UW-Stout.



Balistreri

Alumni Association News

Springing into 2001

We made the jump from black and white to a few color pages, a higher quality paper, additional pages and more information! We would like your response to our 'updated' publication, please see page 23 regarding our reader's survey. You may also access the survey via our Web site at www.uwstout.edu/alumni.

Several "big" events have been scheduled for this spring. On March 31, we visited Washington D.C. for an alumni gathering at the home of Tom Larson, former Menomonie resident. More than 40 Stout alumni converged on the Larson home, and the evening was a great success—many thanks to Tom.

In April we visited Indianapolis. Alumnus Tom Roth '88 worked with us to arrange an alumni gathering at the new Marriott in downtown Indianapolis for Wednesday, April 11. From there we headed north. Chancellor Sorensen met with several alumni in Norway—Norway, Mich., that is, on Friday, April 20 at alumnus Dave Kasten's ('75) AmericInn.

In May we made our annual trip to the NRA convention and The Signature Room in Chicago. Alumni Rick '82 and Susan Mark Roman '80 once again hosted an alumni reception on Sunday, May 20. Many alumni attending the National Restaurant Association were welcomed at the reception.

The classes of 1950, 1951 and 1952 will be celebrating their Golden Reunion on June 22 and 23 (see ad below for more information). This promises to be a great event, as the committee has put together some terrific activities—a little bit of something for everyone.

September also promises to be a busy month. We will be hosting a reception at the Print '01 convention on September 8; and the classes of 1955, 1956 and 1957 will be celebrating their 45th reunion on September 14 and 15. Mark your calendars for this event now!

Alumni gatherings are also scheduled for

Madison and Milwaukee areas on September 17—18. Southeastern Wisconsin Retired Stout Alumni will have their annual luncheon on Wednesday, Sept. 19.

Alumni gatherings are also scheduled for the Portland, Ore., area alumni on Friday, October 5, and the Seattle area on Sunday, Oct. 7.

For your convenience we now have online registration forms that may be filled out, printed and mailed to the alumni office for events requiring registration. In many cases, these forms will be available prior to the mailing. You will also find our scholarship and award forms and alumni board applications on line as well.

Everything continues to be very busy on campus as well. In his column, Chancellor Sorensen has mentioned his commitment to addressing the problems associated with alcohol abuse by UW-Stout students. As a member of the Chancellor's Coalition Against Problem Drinking, I am proud that Stout has taken an aggressive role in addressing this concern. This coalition has actively sought ways to bring this topic to the students, faculty and staff. UW-Stout has worked hard to discourage heavy drinking and the negative consequences that often accompany these behaviors, but it is clear that we still have a ways to go. I commend Chancellor Sorensen for taking an active role in looking at this very serious and challenging issue. I would also like to hear your thoughts on this issue and encourage alumni involvement in alcohol abuse prevention initiatives.

Director's Message



Sue Pittman

High honors for Stout

Those who know me personally know of my affection for this university. I am extremely proud of our alma mater and delight in the successes UW-Stout continues to generate.

The fact that UW-Stout was the only educational institution in the country to receive a site visit for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award is a major honor to the university. This award, established by Congress in 1987, was to raise awareness about the importance of quality and performance excellence. Up to three awards can be given in each of the five categories, of which one is education. This was a lengthy process for the university and the administration is to be commended for putting forth such great effort.

As indicated by the Baldrige visit, Stout continues to be a leader in the development of new programs and degrees. Most recently acquired are applied science, which will start in the fall of 2001; and technical communication, which started in the fall of 2000.

Classrooms and state-of-the-art buildings are also high priorities for the university. A grand opening for the new Millennium Hall was held May 4. Millennium Hall, which replaces the Communications Center, will bring the campus's information technology components together in a single location.

Once the programs and educational buildings were taken care of, the students and administration addressed the issue of recreational activity. The new recreation complex will celebrate its grand opening during homecoming festivities on Oct. 20.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention our winning football team this past season. The Blue Devils went on a record-setting roll as Stout made its first appearance in the NCAA Division III playoffs. It had been 35 years since Stout won a conference title.

These are just a very few of the reasons we can be proud of our alma mater. I encourage you to take an active role in the Alumni Association and attend one of the many gatherings they host throughout the United States. Give them a call or stop by the office the next time you visit Menomonie.

President's Message



Tom Fonfara

New alumni board members

The UW-Stout Alumni Association would like to welcome its two newest alumni board members Judy King-Gehler '01 and Susan Bell Harmon '70. We are excited to have them on board and look forward to working with them.

Judy King-Gehler

A 2001 graduate of the Vocational, Technical, Adult Education program with a specialization in Training and Human Resource Development, Gehler is currently pursuing her graduate degree in Training and Development.

She is also a two-time graduate of Chippewa Valley Technical College with associate degrees in supervisory management and industrial engineering.

Gehler spent seventeen years at Cray Research and has held human resource and training positions at Hutchinson Technology, Silver Spring Gardens and Experience Works! Senior Workforce Solutions. Her current position is human resource director at Curt Manufacturing in Eau Claire.



King-Gehler

She is involved in several organizations in the Eau Claire community. Some of these are the CVTC Alumni Association Board (since 1996), CVTC Alumni President (since 1998), Co-Chair of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers Indiahead Chapter 335, American Society for Training and Development Board member and is currently serving on the Eau Claire Community Task Force on Racial Justice.

Susan Bell Harmon

Susan Lillis Bell Harmon '70 is the aerobic and water exercise instructor for Lake Arrowhead, a lakes and golf community. She also teaches private swimming lessons and lifeguards along with volunteering on several committees and singing in the choir.

Harmon has four stepchildren and four grandchildren that keep her on her toes. She also enjoys golfing and traveling in her spare time.



Harmon

Committee seeks board nominations

The Nominating Committee of the UW-Stout Alumni Association is seeking nominations and applications for the Stout Alumni Association Board of Directors. Nominations and applications will be reviewed by the committee and recommended to the full board during the regular fall meeting. New members begin their terms in the spring meeting. All nominations and resumes will be kept on file for future consideration.

Nominees should be willing to serve a two-year term on the board of directors, able to attend two annual meetings held in Menomonie and be willing to serve actively on committees as needed.

Alumni are encouraged to apply themselves or submit recommendations for fellow Stout grads along with the applicant/nominee's current resume, to the UW-Stout Alumni Association, Nominations Committee, Louis Smith Tainter House, P.O. Box 790, Menomonie, WI 54751-0790.



GOLDEN REUNION 2001

Classes of 1950, 1951 and 1952

Make plans now to join classmates and friends for your Golden Reunion this summer. A variety of activities have been planned, and we are expecting a great turnout.

Mark your calendar for June 22-23 and look for your invitation soon in the mail

For more information, contact Sue or Lisa at the Alumni Association - 715/232-1151 or via e-mail at alumni2@uwstout.edu.



Alumni Gatherings

Ohio



Front row (l-r) Joanne Hillman Fetzer '67, Steven Fetzer '67, Jack Bongey BS '49, MS '53, Isabel Bongey, David Levey '93. Back row (l-r) Donna Johnson Albrecht '68, Pat Reisinger, Dave Reisinger BS '62, MS '67, Sue Pittman.

Ohio



Front row (l-r) Myrtle Jacobs, Diane Anthony Erickson '87, Ruth Kunz Conone BS '63, MS '53, Renee Weldy Yurovich '85, Shannon Gaddy Levra '94, Jane Seyforth Estabrook '42. Back row (l-r) Gerald Jacobs '65, Lee Erickson BS '83, MS '86, Ralph Conone, Dale Yurovich, John Levra '94, Walter Estabrook.

Washington, D.C.



Row 1 (l-r) Sue Pittman, Chancellor Charles Sorensen, Bill Cochran '51, Errol Ramsarop BS '87, MS '89, EdS '95, Pat Reisinger. Row 2 (l-r) Marianna Zdravil Cochran '51, Peter Fulcer BS '60, MS '66, Brian Mano '00. Row 3 (l-r) Tom Hendricks, Ann Olubo Hendricks '82. Row 4 (l-r) Jennifer Wegrzyn Whiting '92, Ellen Grubb Blackwell '79. Row 5 (l-r) Paul Dettmann BS '93, '94, Mike Hosford '75.

Ohio



Front row (l-r) Ukokpan Eshett BS '81, MS '86, Sue Pittman, Lynn Quadricci Blum '75, Sandra Grace Burt '88, Pat Reisinger. Back row (l-r) Dave Reisinger BS '62, MS '67, Margo Stuart BS '81, MS '86, Jeff Burt, Mark Williams, Carol Wagner-Williams '72.

Washington, D.C.



Row 1 (l-r) Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen, Corene Berkseth '95, Michelle Rene Schettene '91. Row 2 (l-r) Tom Hains '82, Robert Schettini. Row 3 (l-r) Pam Menefee Pogue '82, Kathy Perry, '94. Row 4 (l-r) Cory Jones '95, Darlene Brehm Wernsman '62, Robert Wernsman '62.

California



Recognize these faces? The pictures taken at our California gatherings were accidentally deleted from our camera (we need another trip to California to recapture those pictures). Front row (l-r) Myra Schlegel Douglass '65, Diane Pechiva Sucharski '63, Rosalie Ray Dannenbaum '62 and Donna Skidmore '76. Back row (l-r) Irv Lathrop '50, Henry Hulter '38, Ruter '76, Kaufman '84, Jim Loomis '60 and Howard Knop '52. Also attending the gatherings: Ruth Bubeck Voll '36, Kaleene Kenning '88, Burton Pontynen '51, Judy Spain, Chris Zampach, Marya Wilson '95, Michael Boris '70, Marshall Wake '58, Bill Mathy '75, Jason Ellisen '91, Catherine Today '90, Kevin Mayer '75, Jennifer Plier Mayer '75, Geri Easley '81, Dawn Drexler '93, Rebecca Wold Shukan '91, Laurie MacFarland-Miller '79 and several guests.

Stout Families

Arnetveit Family



Front row (l-r): Kathy Arnetveit '68, Stan Arnetveit BS '66, MS '68, and Ken Arnetveit BS '52, MS '55. Back row (l-r): Erik Arnetveit '97 and Brian Arnetveit '93.

Ken used his degrees in industrial education as a teacher for 35 years before retiring and volunteering in the community. Stan received his BS degree in industrial education and MS degree in vocational education, and spent 11 years teaching. He is now the owner of Design Specialty Builders. Kathy received her BS degree in home economics education and is co-owner of Design Specialty Builders with Stan. Brian received his BS degree in general business administration and is currently working for Hutchinson Technologies in Eau Claire, Wis. Erik received his BS degree in construction and is now employed in the family business, Design Specialty Builders.

Maki Family



l-r: Kristen Maki-Moher '91, Roberta Maki-Ziebell, Don Maki '69, Richard Maki BS '64, MS '70, and Nancy Clark-Maki '63.

Don received his BS degree in technology education in '69, and is currently a warehouseman for LTV Steel Mining Company in Hoyt Lakes, Minn. Richard received his BS degree in technology education in '64 and MS degree in vocational education in '70. He is currently an associate administrator for Sears. Nancy (*wife of Richard*) received her BS degree in family and consumer education in '63 and is currently the director of financial aid at Anoka Hennepin (*Minn.*) Technical College. Kristen received her BS degree in industrial technology in '91 and is currently a pre-press supervisor for Northern Hydraulics in Burnsville, Minn.

Not Pictured: Rebecca Maki (*granddaughter of Don*) received her BFA degree in art with a concentration in interior design in '95. Mike Ziebell (*husband of Roberta*) received his BS degree in technology education in '71 and was plant manager of Appleton Papers prior to passing away in August 1997.

Nielsen Family



l-r: Joel Vogler '86, Lonna Nielsen Vogler '86, Cliff Nielsen '58, Christine Macke Nielsen '94 and Ryan Nielsen '91.

Cliff received his BS degree in industrial education and went on to work for the Univac Corporation, Gould National Batteries and spent the years from 1961—1996 farming in Knapp, Wis. Lonna received her BS degree in fashion merchandising and went on to become an insurance supervisor at Park Nicollet Medical Center. She has also been a domestic engineer and worked for Macy's cosmetic department at the Mall of America. Joel received his BS degree in hotel and restaurant management, and has worked for the Holiday Inn in Bloomington, Minn., as assistant manager; Holiday Inn in Eagan, Minn., as general manager; and is currently at Torgerson Properties in Eagan, Minn., as assistant director of operations. Ryan received his BS degree in industrial technology, and has gone on to work for the 3M Company in St. Paul, Minn., as a packaging engineer; Medtronic Inc., in Minneapolis, Minn., as a senior engineer; and is currently a principal engineer with Medtronic. Christine received her BS degree in early childhood education, and has gone on to work for Mercy Child Care in Coon Rapids, Minn., as assistant director; and is now a kindergarten/Title I teacher in Roseville, Minn.

Harmon Family



(l-r) Maria Harmon Nagel '86, Barbara Harmon Weber '65, Marcia Harmon Taugher '78, Charles Harmon '70, Bill Harmon '96 and Andy Harmon (*current student*).

The Stout tradition goes back many generations for the Harmon family, starting with Charles W., Henry A. and John P. Harmon. The three men played football together in the '30s at Stout, and all went on to become teachers. Barbara received her BS degree in dietetics in 1965 and is currently working for Stout in the food service area; Charles received his BS degree in industrial technology and is currently with the Rayovac Corporation as an engineering manager; Marcia received her MS degree in guidance and counseling and is currently employed as a teacher in the Orgagon School District near Madison; Maria received her BS degree in dietetics in 1986 and MS degree in food science and nutrition in 1988, and is currently with UW-Madison as a faculty associate in the nutritional sciences department; Bill received his BS degree in industrial technology with a packaging concentration in 1996, and currently works for Great Lakes Packaging in Germantown, Wis., as a design engineer.

If your family has two or more Stout grads and would like to be included in a future issue of the Outlook, please contact the Alumni Association at P.O. Box 790, Menomonie WI 54751 or e-mail us at alumni2@uwstout.edu

From the Archives

Preserving Stout's rich heritage

By Kevin Thorie, University Archivist

Lost art

The University Archives were mainly created to preserve the historical records of the university. These records include such things as yearbooks, committee minutes, publications, correspondence, budget reports, photographs, blueprints, films, oral histories and a host of other materials.

Everyday we are asked such questions as: When did Helen Keller or Maria Von Trapp appear on campus? When was the early childhood major first offered? Or, what clubs did my grandmother belong to when she attended Stout in the 1920s?

Oftentimes, we can find the answers to these requests. There are, however, many questions that we cannot answer.

When I was offered the opportunity to contribute to the *Stout Outlook*, I realized that this was an ideal time to ask for help from the people who have helped create Stout's history. The first question I could use help with is, what happened to the artwork that was once on the Stout campus?

Museum mystery

Art has played an important role at Stout since the university was founded. In 1894, a woman by the name of Kate Murphy was hired by Senator James Huff Stout to be the director of art for the Menomonie Public Schools and the Stout Manual Training School.

During vacations, Murphy was sent to Japan, as well as several major cities in the United States, to acquire sculptures, paintings, tapestries and other objects in order to begin an art museum on the Stout campus. The first mention of this museum, that I can find, is in a 1904 issue of a magazine called *World's Work*. The museum was augmented when Murphy took a year's sabbatical in Europe, where she acquired more artifacts for the collection.

In 1906, the museum was located on the fourth floor of Bowman Hall. Several photos of this museum are in the University Archives.

The following description of the museum is also in the *Memoirs of Mary D. Bradford*, who was a teacher at Stout during the first decade of the last century:

"There were paintings and tapestries, vases and statuary; large, glass wall-cases containing priceless shawls, enclosed floor-cases, filled with fascinating arrays of curios of all sorts—carved ivory from the Orient, choice miniatures, and fans with historic association."

Up until 1913 or so, several other references to the museum are in Stout publications, as well as newspaper articles. Soon after, though, the museum, along with its artifacts, disappeared.

In 1934 the *Stoutonia* mentions another art museum on the second floor of Harvey Hall. A couple of sculptures are described that may have been in the Bowman exhibit, but the new museum consisted mainly of works by Stout students.

What happened to these artifacts remains a mystery. There is absolutely no mention of theft or vandalism. Budgets for the Stout Institute are very detailed, and the artworks are not listed as having been sold or donated. Senator Stout's probate is also very detailed, showing that these objects were not returned to the family. Unless a former Stout student or staff member has any recollection of what happened, the disappearance of these objects may always remain a mystery.



Thomas F. Googerty received both national and international prizes for his artwork such as this lamp and ornamental metal work (above, right). The University Archives hopes alumni will be able to shed some light on the mystery surrounding what happened to artifacts from an art museum housed on the fourth floor of Bowman Hall (below, 1917).



Iron enigma

A similar mystery concerning the works of Thomas F. Googerty exists. Beginning in 1910, Googerty spent seven years at Stout teaching forge work. Born in 1864 in Pontiac, Ill., he began his career as a blacksmith and later went into teaching. Googerty wrote several books on metalworking and received both national and international prizes for his artwork. At the time of his death in 1945, Googerty was described as one of the nation's greatest craftsmen in decorative wrought iron work.

According to the National Ornamental Metal Museum, which recently had an exhibit of his works, Googerty left many of his works of art at the Stout Institute and in the Menomonie area. In addition, bulletins from that period show photos of iron candlesticks, lanterns, table lamps, fences and gates that were created by Googerty and his students. Again, I have not been able to locate any of these artworks.

WPA relics vanished

The artist, or at least the artwork, that most alumni, students and staff are acquainted with is that of Cal Peters. His mural, "*Industry, Skill and Honor*," has been hanging over the main entrance of Harvey Hall since 1935. Some of his other well-known murals that many are familiar with include "*Scene of Lake Menomin*," "*Perrault's Trading Post*" and "*French Trappers on the Red Cedar*."

Clarence Nicholas (Cal) Peters was born in 1903 in Port Washington, Wis. He studied in Chicago and worked as a freelance artist before coming to the Stout Institute in 1935.

During the Great Depression, Stout acquired many paintings by several artists through the auspices of the Works Progress Administration. Peters, though, was the only artist from the WPA who actually worked on campus. He had a studio in room 29 of the basement of Harvey Hall where he turned out several paintings for the Stout Institute.

After he left Stout, Peters went on to become artist and curator of the Prairie du Chien Museum and later the Los Angeles County Museum. His artwork now hangs in museums stretching from Washington, D.C. to California.

In addition to his murals, Peters painted about a dozen smaller works (averaging 30 inches by 40 inches) and a portrait of President Burton Nelson that are missing. The titles of some of the missing works and their last known locations, as recorded in a 1940 issue of the *Stoutonia*, are:

Home Management House

The Country Church and
Still Life

Tainter Hall

Clouds
Old Oaks and
After The Showers
Bertha Tainter Annex
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The Deserted Shanty

Infirmary

An Autumn Day

Recreation hall

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While I am asking for help, I have a couple of other mysteries I have been trying to solve. Whatever happened to the time capsule that was placed under the Washington Elm in 1931? And does anyone know what happened to the tape recording of John F. Kennedy's speech on campus in 1960?

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Alumni in the News

Stout grad dies in rescue

Rachel E. Stassen-Berger, St. Paul Pioneer Press, April 5, 2001

Christopher Chapman wouldn't like to hear himself be called a hero, say his friends and family.

"He would be very humbled by it," said Sheila Rzepecki, his sister, who said Christopher was one of the quietest of the 10 children in their family.

But to many, including the family of the 10-year-old boy he tried to save from a roiling Florida ocean Tuesday, Chapman was a hero. The boy survived, but the Edina resident didn't make it out of the Gulf of Mexico alive.

Chapman, 44, his wife and their two teenage children were on the Pensacola Beach, enjoying a spring vacation they had long saved for, when they saw the 10-year-old boy's mother shouting for help. There was a yellow flag posted that day, warning people of the strong riptides, but the boy was in the water anyway and had been pulled far from shore by the force of the tides.

Chapman barely hesitated, diving right in to save the child, said his family.

"He wasn't brave or athletic or anything like that. He was just the type of person who would do the right thing," said his brother Ned Chapman.

As his wife, Johanna, and two children watched, Christopher Chapman stopped moving in the ocean. An off-duty lifeguard who was nearby went into the water to try to save him but instead brought his lifeless body back to shore.

"He saw a 10-year-old boy who was in distress and attempted a very heroic deed... (and) instead he became imperiled himself," said Escambia County Sheriff's Office's spokesman Joel Mooneyham.

The beach area where Chapman died is unguarded, although there are lifeguards about half a mile away. Chapman's death was the first of the season, but every year there are several drownings in the area, Mooneyham said.

Chapman was one of several people who worked to save the boy, whose name was unavailable. The others were unharmed.

The off-duty lifeguard who tried to rescue Chapman said the riptide was unusually strong when he pulled Chapman's body to shore,



Christina Chapman, Johanna Chapman, Christopher Chapman '81 and Charlie Chapman.

Mooneyham said.

Family members said they were shocked by news of Chapman's death but not surprised by the way he died. "That was his nature," said Ned Chapman, the oldest of the children. "He had a really caring way."

His wife and children, who left their car in Florida to fly back to the twin cities on Tuesday, have not figured out how to deal with Christopher Chapman's death, said family members who gathered at the Edina home of his parents Wednesday. "His kids are taking it really hard. They saw it happen," said Ned Chapman.

Christopher Chapman's son, Charlie, told his aunt Wednesday that his father was always a hero to him.

Family members said Chapman, who was a manager at Hazeltine National Golf Club, returned the idolization.

He never missed one of his children's sporting events, never would opt to hang out with his buddies when he could be with his kids and would often entertain the entire family with skits or plays he put together with his brother at family gatherings.

"He adored his kids and his wife," said Sheila Rzepecki. "They were his entire life."

After Chapman's body was brought to shore, the mother of the 10-year-old told Johanna Chapman that her husband had saved the boy's life.

That is only some comfort, said Rzepecki. "There is someone that is alive and their family is intact, and ours is not," she said. "There is never going to be a complete family picture again."

Albrechts are still running strong after 50 years

Perhaps the training in football and baseball while at Stout helped prepare Bill Albrecht, BS '51, MS '61 for his current pastime. At 74, Bill is still participating in the Ironman Triathlon. This past October he just completed his fourteenth Ironman.

The Ironman is a demanding competition consisting of a 2.4-mile open ocean swim, 112-mile bike ride, and a 26.2-mile run. This must all be completed in 17 hours. The conditions on the Kona coast of Hawaii in October are an added obstacle with the temperature in the high 80s and winds gusting to 35 mph.

While training for competition consumes many hours each week, the benefits derived from this are tremendous. "Our general health, energy and attitude are the same as they were 20 years ago, and it has enriched our lives beyond measure. Travel and new friends from around the world are benefits that we probably would not have had without our sport," said



Bill BS '51 MS '61 and Veryl Sneen Albrecht '50

for younger athletes and students, and we count among our good friends people who are much younger than we are."

Albrecht received his BS degree in industrial

education and MS in vocational education from Stout. After graduation he taught in Three Lakes and Rhineland, Wis., and Marquette, Mich., where he was the downhill ski coach for many years. At the age of 45, he started running marathons with a personal best of three hours, two minutes. At the young age of 58, he decided to try and qualify for the Hawaiian Ironman and compete by the age of 60. He qualified that year and every year since. Bill's best time for the Ironman was 13 hours, two minutes – that was in 1990, just three months after major surgery. Besides Hawaii, Bill has also competed in the Ironman in Roth, Germany, four times.

Bill isn't the only one in the family who has a pair of running feet. Veryl Sneen Albrecht '50 has her own accomplishments. Veryl was one of only 30 women who qualified for the triathlon national team for women in her age bracket. She has run twelve marathons, completed half of the Ironman triathlon and participated in a number of other triathlons.

Veryl received her BS in home economics education from Stout and taught home economics in Three Lakes, Wis. until the children arrived (*two sons and one daughter*). This has become a family affair. Veryl said she and Bill have also run marathons with both their sons. In regard to Bill's participation in the Ironman, Veryl said, "Qualifying for the Ironman is not easy. It means going to races around the country and/or the world for one of the few spots in your age group. It has been a fantastic sport for both of us, and we are grateful for the good health and opportunities that have come about."

Bill and Veryl currently live in Marquette, Mich., and would be happy to hear from fellow alumni who are also runners, and are looking forward to their Golden reunion this summer. "We are really looking forward to our upcoming class reunion on June 22-23 and hope to see many of our former classmates," Veryl said.

Alumni Testimonials

What Stout Did For Me

"I graduated from Stout University in June 1944, and have been most grateful for all the opportunities and experiences while in attendance. After my family of two children graduated from high school, my teaching career began. I taught home economics for 20 years! This experience provides memories of students, teachers and official personnel that will linger in my mind forever. Stout also provided a background that enabled me to be a better parent, spouse and, yes, a better person."



Jean Turney Wollum '43

"To have graduated from Stout continues to be a very strong influence on my life. The solid, basic and relevant education that was received at Stout prepared many of us well for our chosen field of teaching.

"The most important part of our Stout education was learning to accept change. It is a different world today than it was 50 years ago. Stout continues to offer the solid, basic and relevant education, but as it has grown and changed with progress, it has also shown us that to exist, prosper and to enjoy life you must accept and embrace change.

"This summer, many of us will have the opportunity to celebrate the changes on campus and to renew friendships at our Golden Reunion. Do plan to come to Menomonie June 23 and 24 and see that these changes have been good."



Carol Hansen Miller '51

"I am 60 years old now, and Stout has been an integral part of my life for the past 40 years. As a student, I benefited from a hands on, minds on education in ways that surprised even me. I was not a dedicated student and graduated with an unimpressive academic record.

"I joined the International Harvester Company in 1964 as a management trainee along with more than 20 other recent college graduates from many other 'name brand' universities. As we rotated through the huge manufacturing facility it became obvious over and over that I had a great deal more technical knowledge than anyone else despite their 'much-better-than-me' grade point average.

"I have been teaching at Stout for 30 years now and am proud to be at a university held in such high regard by the organizations that hire our graduates. Another testimony to Stout's applied and pragmatic values and beliefs was revealed recently in a national survey of high school guidance counselors. They created a list of about 25 'hidden gems' of colleges and universities when asked where they would go for their degree if starting over. They were also asked to create a similar list of places they most often would prefer to recommend to high school graduates. Out of all the institutions of higher education in the entire country, only five institutions were on both lists—and of course, Stout was one of those.

"Over the years many of my family have come to Stout as a result of my most positive acclaim for it. Included are my wife, two daughters, one niece, one brother, two nephews and two sisters."



Jerry Coomer '65

Davis' enjoy active lives

Eddie L. Davis BS '71, MS '71 and Susan Rodgers Davis '71 began their partnership during their time at UW-Stout, and have both gone on to achieve personal and professional success in their lives. The Davis' lead very active lives, and are very involved with their community and church.

Eddie is involved in several civic organizations in Hartford, Conn., including the Hartford Courant Foundation Board, the Walter 'Doc' Hurley Scholarship Board, the Hartford Action Plan, the American Leadership Forum, and the Child Health and Development Institute of Connecticut.

Among the organizations Susan is involved with are the Hartford Food Policy Commission, the Connecticut Dietetic Association and the Connecticut School Food Service Association. Susan's radio show, "On a Sound Note," can also be heard on the Hartford Public School station WQTQ.

Both Susan and Eddie are very involved with St. Monica's Episcopal Church in Hartford. Eddie is the Senior Warden of the Vestry, and Susan is involved in several programs at St. Monica's Church including the Just a Sister Away study group, a summer tutorial meals program, the Food Pantry and Sunday School. Eddie has 29 years of experience as an educator, coming up through the ranks as a teacher, vice principal and 10 years as principal of Weaver High School in Hartford. He is now bureau chief at the Connecticut State Department of Education for the Bureau of School-Family-Community Partnerships. He was formerly the



Susan Rodgers '71 and Eddie Davis BS '70, MS

superintendent of Manchester and Hartford Public Schools.

A native of Milwaukee, Wis., Eddie earned his bachelor's degree in technology education and master's degree in vocational education from UW-Stout, and began his teaching career in the Baltimore City School District. He has also earned his Sixth Year Certificate and Ph.D. in educational administration from the University of Connecticut.

Davis has also received awards from the NAACP Greater Hartford Chapter, Hartford Seminary's Black Ministries Program, the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award and the National Conference's Human Relations Award.

Susan is a registered dietitian, currently running a private practice. She provides consultation services to the Hartford Public Schools' Food Services and Nutrition Education

Department, the Connecticut Children's Medical Center and the Birth to Three Program. In the Hartford schools, she teaches nutrition to students, parents and staff; promotes the school breakfast program; and analyzes their nationally recognized school lunches. At the medical center, Susan promotes and teaches optimal nutrition to children and their parents who are infected with HIV. Her cultural awareness of the African-American diet enables her to teach individuals and groups methods to maintain good health through a healthier diet. In addition to all of this, she also consults for the state champion Weaver High School football team.

She has also founded and organized the annual "Susan's Christmas Bus Ride," which she based on a program in Washington D.C. In this program, Susan and more than 80 friends deliver baskets of Christmas dinners and treats to the families of Hartford public school children. A native of Washington D.C., Susan's father encouraged her to attend Stout because it appeared a "safe place to be." The late '60s were a time of unrest on many campuses, and he wanted to make sure she was in a "safe environment." Encouragement also came from Susan's high school home economics teacher, Jeanette Hansen Fitzgibbons '39. When Fitzgibbons learned Susan was interested in becoming a dietitian, she strongly recommended Stout. Susan earned her bachelor's degree in dietetics from UW-Stout, where she met Eddie. She was later accepted at Vanderbilt University Medical in Nashville for her internship and began her career in Baltimore. She and Eddie came to Connecticut

in 1974 so Susan could obtain a master's degree from the University of Connecticut in community nutrition.

Susan and Eddie are the proud parents of two daughters. Christine, a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, is following in her father's footsteps. She is a first grade teacher in Hartford and is completing her master's degree in elementary education at the University of Hartford. Michelle is a freshman at Pennsylvania State University in the animal biosciences program. The Davis' have also "adopted" a son, Rondell Tyson, who is a graduate student at the University of New Haven completing his degree in criminal justice.

While putting some thoughts together for this article, Susan and Eddie reflected on their experience at Stout. "We are so grateful for the education and experience we received at Stout; they were the basis for our professional lives. Those experiences have benefited us greatly and allowed us to lead the life we have enjoyed.

"We are also grateful for the lifelong friendships that developed during those years at Stout. There were very few black students in the late 1960s. We have maintained contact with some of our friends from Stout, including Bradford Marshall, Glenda Wesley, Jerry Collins, the late Myla Lewis Collins, Reggie Holmes, Carl Evans and Melvin Coleman."

Eddie and Susan can be contacted via e-mail at: dvseldvs@aol.com.

Dream comes true with "Once Upon a Child" for grads

How many stories have you heard beginning with "once upon a time?" That was just the beginning for a nationally recognized chain of stores called "Once Upon A Child."

When Lynn Quadracci '75 (*home economics in business*) and Dennis Blum '75 (*industrial technology*) met, they knew they had the potential for building something very special. Of course at that time, they were thinking in terms of marriage—which has been a true partnership in more ways than one.

From the solid basis of their marriage, they have ventured out into the world of retail, creating "Once Upon A Child." It has taken several years and a number of jobs and relocations to get there, but nonetheless their business is a success.

While their relationship began at Stout, Dennis remembers that not everything went smoothly. He was "requested to leave the dorm" and had to scramble to find alternative housing. Lynn, on the other hand, lived quite a distance from the campus and sometimes struggled to find rides into town.

Their road since graduation, however, has been filled with adventures and children. Using her home economics degree, Lynn worked in the catering business preparing food for various day-care establishments while maintaining a sales representative job as a food broker. In 1978 she started a career with Gerber as the first female sales representative in Chicago. When

Gerber expanded from food only to include other merchandise, Lynn moved along with them.

About that time Dennis was found by a "headhunter" and recommended for a job in New York as plant manager with Hunt Wesson. This was to be the first of several moves escalating Dennis' career. After their son, Ben, was born in 1979, Lynn returned to work with Gerber in New York. Word came next that Dennis was being relocated to the Hunt Wesson plant in Chicago, again as plant manager. Lynn then went to work for Johnson & Johnson on a part-time basis.

Their second son, Brian, came in 1983, and Dennis was transferred to Holland, Mich., to build a new plant. Billy was born in 1984, and with the new plant up and running in Holland, Dennis was sent to Toledo, Ohio, as the plant engineer for the Hunt Wesson tomato division. While keeping busy with three sons, Lynn was building upon an idea she had envisioned many years before. Being very aware of the cost of children's clothing and knowing how little wear they actually get, Lynn developed a plan for a children's used clothing store.

Their move to Ohio prompted her to make the move from her minds eye to an actual store. "Dennis was enthusiastic and very supportive about all of it and helped in anyway he could in launching my new venture," Lynn said. "I can remember sitting around, brainstorming with



Dennis and Lynn Quadracci Blum

Dennis to think of a suitable name. Then, out of the blue we hit on 'once upon a child' and just knew it was a winner." The first *Once Upon A Child* was opened in September 1985 with 300 square feet, no phone, homemade signs and no funding to advertise. Lynn was not discouraged. "We had a dream and strong convictions that this was right," she said. Two years later in 1987 they moved to a better and larger location, with 2,000 square feet.

In that same year Dennis took a new position in Columbus, Ohio, with Purity Packaging as director of engineering. Keeping the first store in Toledo, they opened a second one in Dublin. The success of the stores prompted Lynn to open a third store 10 miles away and a fourth one on the west side of Columbus. Within a short period of time, they had eight stores—all within a 25-mile radius. After they sold their first franchise, Dennis left his job to become a

full partner in the business. By 1992 they had 11 of their own stores and 11 franchises covering Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Michigan.

In 1992 they also began to work with Growbiz International who own *Play it Again Sports*. They sold their trademark and franchise rights to Growbiz, but maintained ownership of their own stores. As their children grew, so did their ideas. *Plato's Closet*, a shop for teens and young adults, opened in 1998 followed by four more stores within one year.

Lynn and Dennis compliment the education and training they received at Stout. With two of their own sons in college, they know the importance of providing financial assistance to students and have recently established an endowed scholarship for students in the retail merchandising program.

"Last summer we had the opportunity to visit our old alma mater and had a wonderful reunion. We were both a little disappointed in the turn out and hope future reunions will bring more of you back to Stout. We also invite and welcome you to visit our own stores in Columbus and if you do, please give us a call. We have now expanded to include *New Uses*, our general store and *Clothes Mentor* for adult women clothing," Lynn said.

So if you are in the market for good children's clothing, don't forget *Once Upon a Child* because it was founded by **two** Stout grads.

Anderson receives James Huff Stout Award

James H. Stout was a true visionary in both his profession and personal life. His philosophy of "learning through involvement" was the beginning of what is now known as UW-Stout. The implementation of his ideals brought positive changes within the community and the lives of thousands of individuals. The alumni association acknowledges one individual each year to honor the ideals and visions of James H. Stout by presenting their most prestigious award to a UW-Stout alumnus who has exemplified his attitude and manner both personally and professionally.

The James Huff Stout Award recipient for 2000, Richard T. Anderson, has spent 43 years in the Wisconsin Technical College System as a teacher, guidance counselor, curriculum coordinator, and assistant director for instruction, making a great impact on education in Wisconsin. For the last 18 years he has served as president of the Waukesha County Technical College (WCTC).

Throughout his career in technical education, Anderson has developed and implemented a number of educational programs and services that have impacted southeast Wisconsin, the state and nation. A few of those educational programs and services include establishing a 2+2+2 printing and publishing program between high school, WCTC and UW-Stout, for which both he and Chancellor Sorensen received recognition from the governor; development of organizational opportunities for women within the college; and a statewide and nationally recognized program for workforce development in Waukesha County that is called the Regional Center for Workforce Development. This center

includes the co-location and integration of employment, training, education and economic development services for job seekers, workers and employers.

Anderson has also played a significant role in various national and state organizations that have reflected the preparation he received from UW-Stout and in turn expanded the prestige of the university. He has received a number of recognitions from the governor relating to creative program development and services for the citizens of Wisconsin. Likewise, his involvement nationally in a number of organizations has reflected positively on the WCTC and UW-Stout.

Under his leadership, he established the first associate degree program in international trade in the Midwest that now includes Wisconsin's international trade library. This program has developed a wide range of instructional programming and professional opportunities for students, area employers and college staff in order to assist them in understanding the globalization in the workplace and the cultural realities that accompany it. He has been active in various trade missions to foreign countries on behalf of Wisconsin businesses and industries that also emphasized the quality of Wisconsin's postsecondary technical education, both at the technical college and university level.

His compassion for serving the public is reflected in the many boards he has served throughout southeastern Wisconsin, often serving as president.



Anderson

Mikitarian's life is an 'adventure'

Sam Mikitarian '54 attended the Stout Institute during an unusual period in history. The period was book-ended between the World War II veterans and the newly minted Korean War veterans. The college was still very small, and the attitude on campus was serious but open. At times, it was difficult to distinguish between the faculty and the students. It was, as it has been said many times, a perfect balance between technology and academics. This environment became the foundation for many of Mikitarian's adventures during the last 47 years.

After graduation he was obliged to enter in the service of the country, as were all young men of the era, and chose to enlist in the Navy, specializing in naval aviation. The recruiter outlined a program that would put him back on campus to continue his advanced education in four years, but it did not quite work out that way. He retired from the Navy after 30 years of service—24 years active duty service plus six years of prior reserve time.

During his active duty years, he went through flight training and was commissioned a naval aviator in 1956. During his shore duty periods, he taught advanced aviation, created curricula for advanced all weather flight and managed the training department for teaching the course. Other assignments included conducting research



Mikitarian

in scheduled maintenance of all Navy aircraft and the development of a periodic maintenance process that became the fleet standard. His last shore duty assignment was in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Research, Development, Test and Evaluation.

His sea duty assignments included deployments to the Mediterranean Sea area and Southeast Asia. His last active duty operational assignment was as the commanding officer of an all-weather attack A-6 squadron.

Mikitarian also received educational assignments at the Naval War College in Newport, R.I.; the National War College in Washington, D.C.; and earned a master's degree in international affairs, from George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

After military retirement, he has worked as a program manager in research and development, business development manager for new technology acquisition, and business consultant to the defense industry. He is currently employed as a program manager in the international telecommunications industry.

Billie, his wife of nearly 40 years, has shared in his many travels and relocations over the years. They have two sons and three grandchildren. Sam and Billie currently reside in the Virginia suburbs of Washington, D.C.

Sam says, "Life has been a great adventure so far." Both he and his wife, however, are trying to figure out what they are going to do when they have to "grow up."

Stout Memories

Reminiscing

"I found it easy to keep track of all my expenses when I went through Stout. I graduated in 1952 by going three years with two summers at the University of Minnesota and two correspondent courses. The entire cost was \$3,300, which included food, one year at Tainter Hall and the other two in a private home. I shared a bedroom in both places.

"I remember one morning when it was 43 degrees below zero when we walked to school.

"I should say that I never felt deprived. One thing I remember as being especially enjoyable were the hikes south of town in the spring. Several couples would go and then have a picnic.

"I enjoyed all of my courses except chemistry. It was a great three years!

"I also took my time signing a contract as a teacher because I wanted to teach on the west coast. When I signed, it was for \$3,400—the highest salary of any graduate in 1952. The job was in a small town in Washington. A person would have to hike three miles to catch a bus to leave. A bridge was finally built a few years later connecting us with Astoria, Ore. It worked out fine because people were very kind about offering rides, dinner, etc."

Joan Schwanemann Augustine '52



Augustine

"The University of Wisconsin-Stout means a lot to me for many different reasons. I graduated in 1989 in hotel and restaurant management and have very fond memories of the university, teachers and my classmates.

"In my field of hotel and restaurant management, I have come across a lot of different people from various backgrounds, and when I mention where I graduated from, everyone knows Stout as a well-respected university. They all speak highly of our graduates.

"One lesson I learned at Stout was from Dr. Charles Metelka. The one thing that stood out from his class for me was the statement 'don't pass the monkey.' Dr. Metelka's translation—if a problem comes to you, don't pass it on, even if it is not your problem. Address it and get the monkey off of your back for good. To this day, I still apply this story to my everyday life.

"My friendships at Stout are endless. Being a smaller university, I think our friendships became stronger and more meaningful relationships. We always knew we would run into each other at the student center, classes or the bars.

One of my most special friendships was my roommate from Jeter Hall during my freshman and sophomore years, Renee Durocher Flis '89. We helped each other through some tough and wild times. One time we planned a co-ed mud volleyball game with the guys from Tainter Hall. People thought we were crazy when we walked through town all covered in mud and singing songs, but everyone had a fantastic time.

"As I look back at my four years at Stout, I realize that I have been blessed to have met so many wonderful people that have touched my heart, especially my friend and roommate Elaine Mercier Bruesewitz '89. I have much gratitude toward the university for providing me with an excellent education and a university that I am proud to say I graduated from."

Dianne Markowski Brady '89



Brady



"The decade of the 1950s was a time of change and uncertainty. Our country was involved in the cold war and new technology was being developed at a rapid pace. In contrast with these stresses and changes, the Stout Institute and Stout State College provided a stable learning environment for students. Curriculums for our programs were well defined, and our instructors had a strong belief in what they taught.

"We had a limited number of times we could miss class, and dorm hours to keep us out of trouble. If someone did err, Merle Price would come to the rescue. Our lab courses also provided extensive application of the skills and concepts presented in our classes.

"There were a lot of opportunities for us to have fun and grow socially during that time. With more than 30 organizations on campus, plus the athletic teams, there were ample opportunities to become involved with campus life. Homecoming events were always exciting and, if I remember correctly, there was usually some concern about whether all of the bonfire materials were 'donated.' Plays, concerts and proms provided many opportunities to relax and forget about school work for a while. All of this for only \$28 per semester!

"Our class was the first to graduate from Stout State College, and based on the feedback I have received from many classmates (*and my own experiences*), we were well prepared for the challenges we encountered after graduation. As the 45th anniversary of our graduation approaches, most of us have made the transition to retirement. Our reunion this fall will be an excellent opportunity to renew acquaintances and friendships. It will also be a great chance to see the changes that have taken place at Stout since you were last on campus and to learn about the university's plans for the future. Hope to see you in September!"

Orville Nelson '56



Nelson

“Tongue” to reunite for Homecoming 2001

Bob Collins '71

Nearly 30 years have passed since a phenomenal period of Stout's history. Over the years, I have continuously reflected on everything that occurred amidst this period of turmoil in our nation's history. Being a “Mother Trucker” and member of “Tongue” band, all the great times, the not so great times and the really difficult ones we endured. The friends made, the friends lost. Fond memories and some regrets. Enough of this mush! Then I come back to reality and realize it was all “Rock n' Roll!”

To celebrate the re-release of “Keep on Truckin' ” in 2000 (www.swiftsite.com/gearfab), the Tongue band is ready to “rock n' roll” again and we want to invite all the Mother Truckers to reunite. At homecoming 2001, October 20, the band will perform in the Great Hall of UW-Stout's Memorial Student Center. Band members Paul Rabbitt, Dick Weber, Mick Larsen and Bob Collins will be on the “2001 Bite Your Tongue” tour (*another one night stand*).

We are working with Ron Verdon, chair of UW-Stout's department of art and design, to include an art show for all those still practicing the trade. Please contact him by e-mail at verdonr@uwstout.edu to let him know what you will be bringing to the show.

Mark your calendars, round up your artwork, your spouse or significant other and your “Rock n' Roll” shoes, and join us for this one-time event. Pass the word—we hope to see you in October!

For additional information, you may contact Paul Rabbitt at paul@rabbittanalytics.com, Dick Weber at rweber1@triad.rr.com, or Bob Collins at rcc2@medianone.net. Ticket information is available at the student center service desk 715/232-1122.

“Tongue” will be reuniting for a concert turing homecoming 2001. At the left, “Tongue” as they were in 1971- still “rockin” after all of these years. (l-r) Bob Collins '71 , Dick Weber, Mickey Larson, Paul Rabbitt '72 .



Otto named president and CEO of Marcus Hotels and Resorts

William J. Otto '78 became president and chief operating officer of Marcus Hotels and Resorts, the full-service lodging division of The Marcus Corporation (NYSE: MCS), on April 1, 2001.

Otto joined Marcus Hotels and Resorts in 1993 as senior vice president of operations and was promoted to senior vice president and chief operating officer in 1996.

With 22 years of experience in the lodging industry, Otto has worked with a variety of companies in a number of positions. Prior to joining Marcus Hotels and Resorts, he worked for the Stouffer Group of hotels for 15 years in



Otto

positions of increasing responsibility, including serving as general manager of the Stouffer Nashville hotel in Nashville, Tenn. He began his career with Hyatt Hotels in Chicago in 1978.

A leader in the Wisconsin hospitality industry, Otto is currently serving as chair of the Governor's Council on Tourism and chair of the Greater Milwaukee Convention and Visitors Bureau. He is past chair of the Wisconsin Innkeepers Association and was a Wisconsin delegate to the 1995 White House Conference on Travel and Tourism. Otto received a bachelor's degree in hotel and restaurant management from UW-Stout and has earned the Certified Hotel Administrator designation from the American Hotel and Motel Association.

Otto and his wife, Michele, reside in Wauwatosa, Wis., with their sons Christopher, Jonathan and Nicholas.

Zmyewski and Buelow use “horse sense” in business

Stephen '77 and Jenell Anderson Zmyewski '77 have ventured into unusual territory during the last decade.

As an 18-year-old in Clifton Park, N.Y., Steve made the decision to attend UW-Stout after being recruited by basketball coach Dwain Mintz. “That decision has directed the rest of my life,” said Steve. “I thank Coach Mintz for that.”

While Jenell is a family and consumer science teacher at Fillmore Central High School in Harmony, Minn., Stephen has developed a business with former UW-Stout university relations director Chuck Buelow, raising and racing horses.

The Zmyewski's bought their first horse with Chuck and Janet Buelow in 1995, and now own five horses together. They are also co-owners of a public racing stable, Root River Thoroughbreds, where they train horses for a variety of clients. They focus their racing on Canterbury Park in Shakopee, Minn., and Prairie Meadows in Altoona, Iowa.

“I've been interested in horses ever since I can remember,” said Steve. He started out working at the Saratoga Racetrack in upstate New York during summers while he was in college. Soon after graduating from Stout, Steve became involved with show horses, and continued showing until 1990 when he decided to get into thoroughbred racing. “My key interest was always in racing thoroughbreds,” he said. Although Steve did have success in the show ring, a major part of that success was a world champion stallion.

Steve and Jill reside at their family farm and



l-r: Chuck Buelow, Steve Zmyewski '77 and Rex Gilligan pictured with a filly purchased in Lexington, Ky.

home of Root River Thoroughbreds in Houston, Minn. They have two children: Kristina, 20, who is employed at the Mayo Clinic; and Justin, 18, who will be a freshman in packaging engineering at UW-Stout next fall. Justin will also pursue a position on the football team as a place kicker.

With family and farm coming first, Steve's other interests include commodity trading, Texas Longhorn cattle, buffalo, Justin's racing, and a continued venture as an airplane pilot.

“My education academically, athletically and socially at Stout has been invaluable. The relationships I established while at Stout are some of my greatest treasures, and my relationship with the Buelows is a part of that treasure. Even though my path has not crossed with many of those people since leaving campus, they remain with me for a lifetime,” Steve concluded. “Being inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in 1997 allowed me to become a part of Stout forever, and I am grateful for that.”

Roomies Reunion



L-R: Barb Berkseth DeLander, Eileen Sievert Bartok, JoAnn Hansen Meuret, Alice Schweizer Schleg, Jeanine Larsen Stauffacher. Unable to attend: Jo Salm Bauer. All of the “roomies” have kept in touch since their graduation in 1960, and about six years ago Alice Schleg organized the first reunion. It has been an annual event ever since. “It is amazing how we can pick up where we left off from one year to the next,” said Stauffacher. “We are never at a loss for conversation, and have a great time reminiscing about our friends and activities during our college days.”

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Alumni Spotlights

Blia Schwahn '00, was recognized at the Sixth Annual Women of Color Awards Ceremony and Reception at UW-Madison, October 27—28, 2000. This is a statewide award given to women of color who have initiated positive change within their communities by contributing to diversity and advocating for women's issues.



Schwahn

"Blia is an outstanding example of a woman who is committed to making the educational environment a positive one for all students, regardless of their background," said Ken Her, a multicultural student advisor at UW-Stout.

For 10 years, Schwahn worked as a bilingual specialist with the Menomonie School District, helping parents, students, staff and community members bridge language and cultural barriers. According to Her, Schwahn worked tirelessly to support Hmong mothers still in high school, the high school daycare, and the Neighbor-Neighbor Committee, a group that was formed to build community and resolve conflicts in Menomonie. She also volunteered many hours in the community to help others learn about the Hmong culture and history.

After the Vietnam War, Schwahn and her family escaped from Laos to a refugee camp in Thailand, then came to the United States. She was 14 years old and could not speak English. She never had the opportunity to attend a formal school, and did not even know how to read or write in her own language. Though she graduated from high school, she knew she didn't have the academic language she needed to go on to college, but she also knew the opportunity was there. She worked as an interpreter and taught herself to read and write English. She knew it would take her a long time to get to college, but she was determined.

While with the Menomonie School District, Schwahn was fortunate to have worked with a group of people who believed in her abilities and encouraged her to pursue her dream of a degree in education. With the support of her family and friends, she was back at school.

While working full-time and raising two children, Schwahn continued her education at UW-Stout in early childhood and graduated in May of 2000.

She is the first person in her family to graduate from college and is a role model to many by demonstrating her belief in hard work and the importance of education.

Schwahn would like to thank her wonderful, understanding husband (*especially during student teaching*), her two wonderful children (*whose favorite phrases were "mommy, are you done with your homework?"*), her friends (*who always said "You can do it!"*), and the faculty and staff at UW-Stout (*who always opened their doors for her*) for their support.

Schwahn is currently working as a school/community liaison for the Eau Claire Area School District, continuing her endeavor to making a difference in people's lives. She also serves on the Eau Claire City Council's Racial Justice Taskforce, the Eau Claire Area School District Equity Committee, the Eau Claire Partnership for Education, the Hmong Family Strengthening "Agency Partners" Committee, and is a co-advisor to the North High School HAPT Club (*Hmong American Pheng Cheng Club*). She hopes to earn her master's degree in guidance and counseling at UW-Stout.

You may reach Schwahn through e-mail at bschwahn@ccasd.k12.wi.us.

Gary Madsen '77, senior packaging engineer for Kimberly-Clark Corporation, has been promoted to packaging engineer consultant for their Asia Pacific operations. With this promotion, Madsen and his family have relocated to Bangkok, Thailand.



Madsen

In this newly created position, Madsen oversees the development, technological advances, education and cost savings associated with packaging in Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam. He has been employed by Kimberly-Clark Corporation since December 1978 and has held various positions within the consumer packaging division located in Neenah, Wis.

Prior to his move, Madsen spent time on the UW-Stout campus recruiting interns and graduates for Kimberly-Clark. He was also instrumental in setting up a Kimberly-Clark/Stout scholarship program.

The Neenah native received his bachelor of science degree in industrial technology with a concentration in packaging in December 1977 from UW-Stout.

Henry Lageman '79 was elected national president of the American Board of Vocational Experts for the 2000—2001 term.



Lageman

After earning his degree in vocational rehabilitation from UW-Stout, Lageman completed his internship with the State of Oregon, assisted in the development of a Work Evaluation Center with the old CETA program, and created and developed the position of rehabilitation manager for the Oregon State Accident Insurance Fund.

Lageman is known for his commitment to assisting individuals in identifying and truly understanding their special talents as they relate to the world of work. "The thrill is in helping folks maximize their vocational potential," Lageman said.

After serving his presidency, Lageman plans to pursue his doctorate in industrial psychology, teach at the graduate level at Portland State University and maintain his practice in vocational rehabilitation.

Lageman and his wife, Sue, were married in 1981 and live in Portland, Ore. He may be contacted via e-mail at HJLageman@msn.com or his Web site at www.VocExpert.com.

Martin Gierke '79, recently sent this update for the Outlook:



Gierke

"I was a 1979 graduate of Stout in a then-fledgling industrial design program. In fact, I was one of only a few students in the first graduating class of the program. Since then, the program at Stout has come a long way, and so have I. I am currently vice president of industrial design for Black & Decker, located in Baltimore, Md.

"After graduation, I spent four years in the Minneapolis area, working for a small consultancy, and later for Honeywell Inc. In 1983, I moved to Maryland to join Black & Decker's household products group, working

as a designer on new concepts. In succeeding years, I worked for a number of divisions of the company as both designer and project manager, finally taking on my current responsibilities as head of design in 1995.

"I received my MBA from Loyola College in Baltimore in 1995, and became an adjunct professor for the college that same year. I am an active member of both IDSA and the Design Management Institute. After serving three years on the advisory board for DMI, I was elected to their Board of Directors this year. In addition, I am advising a start-up industrial design program here in the Baltimore area, and serve as an adjunct faculty member for the industrial design program.

"On the personal side, I am enjoying the 'empty nest' phase of life along with my wife, Margie. My son, Tom, is a percussion performance major at James Madison University in Virginia. He has recently played professionally for an international touring Broadway company production of Victor/Victoria, and participated in the California-based Santa Clara Vanguard drum corps as a mallet percussion specialist."

Pete Meyer BS '91, MS '96,

a technology instructor at Lisle Junior High School, was recently recognized by the Illinois Industrial Technology Education Association as its Teacher of the Year. The award recognizes Meyer "as Illinois' most outstanding technology teacher," and as someone "who keeps abreast of developments in technology education, uses this knowledge to constantly upgrade classroom curriculum and maintains a positive rapport with students," according to the ITEA.



Meyer

"I am thrilled and honored by this award," said Meyer. "As a teacher, I have always strived to make a difference in our students' lives and help them realize their potential. Still, I was quite surprised and humbled to receive this honor. I wish to thank the ITEA board for recognizing my work with the students of Lisle. I would also like to thank my parents and teachers from high school and college who always encouraged me to work hard and pursue my goals."

One person who was not surprised was Lisle Junior High School principal, Roger Wanic, who says receiving this statewide award "is quite an honor not only for Mr. Meyer but for the entire Lisle School District 202 Community. He is a very dynamic teacher who makes each and every lesson meaningful and relevant for his students. Mr. Meyer has an excellent rapport with the students and is constantly encouraging his students to do their very best. His application of technology helps to make his class come alive for students every day."

"His knowledge of technology is also invaluable for our entire school staff, as he is always willing to spend the time in assisting his fellow teachers in the use of technology. As an enthusiastic, dedicated professional, Mr. Meyer is a most deserving recipient of this honor," added Wanic.

The ITEA is the professional organization of all technology education instructors throughout the state of Illinois. Its parent organization, the International Technology Education Association, honored Meyer as Illinois' Teacher of the Year at its annual convention in March.

Meyer is a lifelong resident of Lombard, Ill.,

and a 1985 graduate of Glenbard East High School. He went on to Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato, Minn., and graduated with an associate of arts degree in 1987. He then continued his education at UW-Stout, graduating in 1991 with his BS degree and in 1996 with his MS degree, both in technology education. He is currently working toward another MS degree, in educational administration.

Meyer resides in Lombard with his wife, Kendra, and may be reached via e-mail at pmeyer@lisle.dupage.k12.il.us.

Timothy VanHeirselee '72

was named the "Lakeland Press Coach of the Year" for 2000. Van Heirselee has coached varsity softball at the Warren Township High School for seven years, and has won 116 games in that time. The team finished third in the North Suburban Conference in the 2000 season.



VanHeirselee

VanHeirselee was very involved with campus life during his time at Stout. He was the sophomore class president in 1970, an S-Club member, a resident assistant in North Hall from 1970—72 and secretary of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Sports were also a large part of his life while at Stout. He participated in several intramural sports, was the announcer for basketball and wrestling, played shortstop on the varsity baseball team from 1969—1972 (*also team captain in 1972*), and was an all-district NAIA baseball team member in 1972.

Six Stout grads are employed at the Warren High School, ranging from the classes of 1968 to 1999. "It's a special feeling," VanHeirselee said. "We have an automatic friendship together because of our times at Stout."

Debra K. Anderson '76, a

native of Menomonie, graduated cum laude from UW-Stout with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education. She devoted nine years to teaching kindergarten, starting in the Menomonie School District and followed by positions in the suburbs of Chicago. Returning to Menomonie, Anderson went into retail, which led to managing Lee's Drug Store for eleven and a half years. The year 2000 presented a new career opportunity—that of lifestyles editor for the *Dunn County News*, where she remains today. Describing her information gathering practices, Anderson said, "I'm a gleaner and a weaver."



Anderson

Alumni News

Class Notes

1920—1969

Harvey Berghuis BS '50, MS '50, Naperville, Ill., retired in 1985 after 35 years of teaching and now enjoys traveling to England and taking cruises. **Walter Kratsch** BS '57, MS '60, Northbrook, Ill., has retired from Maine Township High School South after 43 years of teaching. **Peter Fulcer** BS '60, MS '66, Leesburg, Va., has retired after 39 ½ years of educational service. He received the Distinguished Alumni Award at his 40th UW-Stout class reunion in June 2000. **John Anderson** MS '63, Ed.S. '71, Excelsior, Minn., received the 1999 Minnesota Teacher Excellence Award. He is retiring after teaching 32 years for Minnetonka Public Schools. **Marilee Olson** '63, Solon Springs, is a minister for the Presbyterian Church. **Richard J. Johnson** '64, Oshkosh, has retired after teaching for 35 years. His last ten years were spent at Oshkosh West High School where he taught auto cad computer drawing. **Keith Togstad** MS '64 is the superintendent of St. James Public Schools, St. James, Minn. **Janice Jenson** BS '65, MS '77, is tour manager for Holiday Vacations, Eau Claire. **Rosemary Weiss Skeele** MS '68, Montville, N.J., has authored a new book, *Protecting the Right to Teach and Learn: Power, Politics and Public Schools*. **John Stratton** '68 has retired from Lockheed-Martin in Orlando, Fla., and has moved to Rockwood, Tenn. **Larry Batterman** '69 is retired after teaching technology education in the Sheboygan Area School District for 30 years.

1970—1979

Harald Barry BS '71, MS '83 is an assistant professor in the College of Business and Technology at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. **Ellen Lotz Dietrich** '71, State College, Penna., has been promoted to director of development and institutional advancement, College of Education, Pennsylvania State University. **James Gregersen** '71, Racine, is a facilities engineer/environmental manager at Acme Die Casting. **Michael Seiser** BS '71, MS '74, MS '76, Pepin, is the district administrator at Pepin Area School. **Christine Schultz Genett** '72, is a case coordinator at American General, Milwaukee. **David Goetzinger** '72, Dubuque, Iowa, is a manufacturing engineer in the fabrication area of the Backhoe Division of John Deer Dubuque Works. **Richard Zahorik** MS '73, Ed.S. '87, Eau Claire, is a guidance counselor at Altoona High School. He was recently presented the Wisconsin School Counselor Association's Althea Brach Counselor of the Year Award at the annual conference in Stevens Point.

Murray K. Fisher MS '74, Morton Grove, Ill., is a teacher at Southside Occupational Academy, Chicago, Ill. He has recently been named a 2001 Golden Apple Finalist. Finalists were selected from more than 1,200 nominations of outstanding high school teachers from Cook, Lake and DuPage counties.

Michel Defenbau '76, Parkville, Mo., is president of Multivac Inc., a leading manufacturer of packaging machinery for the food and medical industries. **Larry Ferstenou** MS '76, Ivins, Utah, has written *You CAN Retire Young! How To Retire in your 40s or 50s Without Being Rich*, which will be published soon. For more information visit www.youcanretireyoung.com. **Holly Hubbell** '76, Fredericksburg, Va., is a contract specialist with the U.S. Navy Military Sealift Command. **Therese Wilson** '76, New Berlin, is the youth services librarian at Brown Deer Library.

Yvonne Boller Nelson MS '77, an instructor in the biology department at UW-Stout, was selected the Wisconsin Laboratory Association's Joe Mityas Laboratorian of the Year for 2000. **Lawrence J. Smith** BS '77, MS '86, Owatonna, Minn., is a quality engineer at Pemstar. **Michael Sullivan** '77 is director of sales at 3Plex.com, Green Bay.

Bruce Meihnsner '78 is the owner of Plastics Unlimited, Wauwatosa. **William Otto** '78,

Wauwatosa, is president of Marcus Hotels and Resorts. He also serves as the chairman of the Wisconsin Governors' Council on Tourism and as chairman of the Greater Milwaukee Convention and Visitors Bureau. **Joel Weinberger** '78 is quality assurance manager at Kleen Test Products, a division of Meridian Industries Inc., Mequon.

Kerry '79 and **Barbara Sinclair Staehler** '76 reside in Wittenberg. Kerry owns and operates his own business, Raspberry Road Log Builders; Barbara is a service coordinator and teacher for the B-3 program in Shawano City. **James Winistorfer** BS '79, MS '83, Milwaukee, was named general manager of Waukesha Bearings Corp.

1980—1988

Gary Thomas '80, Kimberly, is regional vice president of the American Funds. His territory includes northern Wisconsin and the Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Deborah Bilzing MS '81 is the state consultant for school counseling and the state career guidance supervisor for the Department of Public Instruction, Madison. Over the past five years, she has co-authored the revision to Wisconsin's Developmental Guidance Model, reviewed the National Standards for School Counseling and has been involved in many initiatives at the national level. **Christopher Bracken** '81, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., is director of marketing at the Sawgrass Marriott Resort. **Steven Griffiths** '81 is chief of manufacturing for Shortgrass Technology, Clearwater, Fla.

Susan Stuckey Goudreau '82 is a training manager for M&I Data Services, Brown Deer. **Bob Jensch** '82 is general manager of the Athens Ledra Marriott Hotel, Athens, Greece. He was previously the general manager of the first Marriott Hotel in Israel, the Nazareth Marriott. **Kathleen Brown Mitchell** BS '82, MS '91 is a teacher at South Caldwell High School, Hudson, N.C. **Charles Virgil** '82 is director of sales for Explore Wisconsin, Madison.

Timothy '83 and **Connie Loose Gohla** '82 reside in Jordan, Minn. Tim is a technology education instructor at Dakota Hills Middle School, Eagan, Minn.; Connie is an infrastructure project manager at Northwest Airlines. **Frederick Rushlow** '83, Laurium, Mich., is an exhibits specialist with the National Park Service, Keweenaw National Historic Park.

Daniel Dick '84 has been named general manger of the Grand Geneva Resort & Spa, Lake Geneva. **Timothy Groves** '84, Colorado Springs, Colo., is a site strategic planner for Intel. **Mark Honnold** '84 was promoted to manufacturing engineering manager at FSI International, Chaska, Minn. **Mary Ann Searle** '84 serves as the assistant dean of Student Services at Pasco-Hernando Community College, Brooksville, Fla. **Christopher Tinen** '84 is vice president of sales at Formica Corp., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Clay DuVal '85, Golden Valley, Minn., is a high school art teacher for Osseo School District. **Robert Hinn** '85 has joined Environmental Structures Inc. (ESI) as a project manager. ESI is a national design/building firm specializing in design and construction of refrigerated distribution centers and food processing facilities. **Jane Metcalf** BS '85, MS '91, MS '96 is director of human resources at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center, Milwaukee. **Thomas Minucci** '85, Wauwatosa, is a marketing associate for Sysco Food Services of Eastern Wisconsin.

Mark Bentfield '86 is a building systems coordinator for PCL Construction Services, Bloomington, Minn. **Ilissa Greenberg** '86 completed her doctorate in clinical psychology in 1998 and is currently a training coordinator in the Counseling Center at Roosevelt University, Chicago, Ill. **Judy Amundson Keenan** '86 is a brand manager at Kraft Foods, Glenview, Ill. **Richard Kuhn** '86 is the global manufacturing project manager at EchoStar-DISH Network, supporting

both the Asian and Mexican satellite TV receiver manufacturing operations. **Philip Kuhns** '86 is director of planning and materials at Talon Engineering, Sauk Rapids, Minn. **Thomas Wetsch** '86, St. Charles, Ill., is director of marketing and product development for Ivex Packaging. **Jeanne Wilkinson** '86 and spouse Frank Lind, Brooklyn, N.Y., recently exhibited paintings at Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Penna. Jeanne has been voted a member of the American Abstract Artists.

Mary Andreska Dess '87, South Milwaukee, is a teacher in the hotel/hospitality program at Milwaukee Area Technical College. **Richard Hutter** '87 had his first solo art show in June 2000 at Lisa Harris Gallery, Seattle, Wash. He has also shown artwork at Bellevue Art Museum, Bellevue, Wash.; the Center on Contemporary Art, Seattle, Wash.; and VIVA Gallery, Northridge, Calif. His artwork was also recently included in exhibits at South Shore Art Center, Cohasset, Mass., and Seattle Art Museum, Rental/Sales Gallery, Seattle, Wash. **Keith Karczewski** '87, Collierville, Tenn., is employed by Federal Express as a senior manager, Worldwide E-Solutions. **Scott Ledermann** '87 was promoted to engineering manager at Norstar Aluminum Molds, Cedarburg. **Jeffrey** '87 and **Enid Ehlen Reames** '72 reside in Wabasha, Minn. Jeffrey is an administrator at Western Wisconsin Technical College, La Crosse; Enid is a senior program manager with Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota, Red Wing, Minn. **Linda Rogers** '87 is a family case manager at Perspectives Family Center, St. Louis Park, Minn. **Dewey Rothering** '87, Rockton, Ill., is the director of store logistics for Saks Inc. He has also recently started a mobile disc jockey company, Celebrations DJ Service.

Lela Boon Anderson '88 is an elementary guidance counselor for the School District of Flambeau, Tony. Rick **Ingebretson** '88, New Prague, Minn., was promoted to sales manager at Phillips and Temro Industries Inc. **Robert O'Reilly** '88, Weston, Fla., was promoted to director of logistics and technical services at Elan Pharmaceuticals. Major **Jeffrey Strey** '88 has been assigned to the 1st Marine Regiment as the operations officer at Camp Pendleton, Calif. **Kelli Smith Swinson** '88 was promoted to assistant manager of inflight training at Midwest Express Airlines, Milwaukee. **Michael Zelinski** '88 is a factory manager at Waukesha Bearings, Antigo.

1989—1992

Tracey Crisp Aakre '90, Hastings, Minn., is a home mortgage consultant for Wells Fargo Home Mortgage. **Kelli Foster Buffo** '90 is the marketing coordinator at Smoky Hill High School, Aurora, Colo. **Jay Gerondale** '90 has earned a master's degree in packaging science from the Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, N.Y. He has been promoted to engineering manager at C.R. Bard, Salt Lake City, Utah. **Victoria Gibbs** '90 is a process analyst at Andersen Consulting, Minneapolis, Minn. **Peter Hanke** '90, Janesville, is a technology education teacher for Evansville School District. **Jennifer Bathke Hostettler** '90 was promoted to creative designer of the Newborn Division at Oshkosh B'Gosh, Oshkosh. **Judith Reinhold** '90, Chippewa Falls, is a site developer for Curves for Women.

Sam Cleaveland '91 was promoted to vice president of sales and engineering at IPSI, Maple Grove, Minn. **Sandy Honermann Gudvangen** '91, Victoria, Minn., is a program director for Hartford Life. **Kurt Huber** '91 is a graphic design faculty member at Winona State University, Winona, Minn. **Ryan Nielsen** '91 has been promoted to product transfer manager at Medtronic Neurological, Minneapolis, Minn. **Scott W. Olson** '91 is customer services manager for Mark Travel Corp., Milwaukee. **Julia Fiorentino Roehl** '91, Eden Prairie, Minn., is a merchandise manager for Premium Wear Inc. **Heidi Strom**

'91, New York, N.Y., is a sales manager for Troyk Printing Corp.

Monica Swendsrud Dockery '92, Dallas, Texas, was promoted to silver buyer at Neiman Marcus. **Andrew Gagnon** '92 is a manufacturing engineer at Tecumseh Products Co., New Holstein. **Stephen Kraft** '92 is general manager of Grandmas Restaurant Co., Bloomington, Minn. **Gary Parkos** '92 is a business manager for Ford Motor Co. at Gage Products, Ferndale, Mich. **Lynn Beard Weilbrenner** '92, Janesville, is the school-to-work coordinator for the Delavan-Darien School District.

1993—1996

Tina Enzweiler Blenkush '93 is an account/ deductions coordinator for Advantage Sales and Marketing, Minnetonka, Minn. **Darcy Hermel Brugger** '93, Farmington, Minn., is an account representative at Northfield Printing. **Tonia Russell Dockter** '93, Riverview, Fla., was awarded Tampa's Recognized Young Dietitian in 1999 and Florida's Recognized Young Dietitian in 2000. **Kim Kozicki Flottemesch** '93, Pullman, Wash., has received a doctoral degree in higher education from the University of Idaho and is currently assistant professor of communication at Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston, Idaho. **Michelle Devine Giese** '93 is a good manufacturing practices (GMP) manager for Step Industries, Neenah. **Justin Gilbert** BS '93, MS '97 was promoted to procurement engineering manager at IBM, Rochester, Minn. **Sarah Johnson** '93, Minneapolis, is a social worker for the Community Health Department of Hennepin County. **Ginger Hartse Lobliner** '93, Oxford, Mich., was promoted to manager of transitions and new stores at Kmart Corp. **Kimberly Marion** '93, Beaverton, Ore., manages an e-Business Alliance program for Intel.

Kenneth Baratta '94 is a supplier development specialist for LifeFitness, Franklin Park, Ill. **Andrea Childers** '94 is the director of an afterschool program in Minneapolis, Minn. **Jesse BA** '94, MS '96 and **Lynnette Spiering Jackson BA** '95, MS '97 reside in Phillips. Both are employed by the Phillips School District, Jesse as a school psychologist and Lynnette as a middle school teacher. **Aaron Keopple** '94, is vice president of operations at APN, Inc., a stainless steel tube fittings manufacturer in Calendonía, Minn. **Bradley Moellenberndt** '94 is general manager of AmericInn, Wisconsin Rapids. **Suzanne Ocampo Wittman** '94, Spencer, is a graphic designer for the Marshfield News Herald.

Branden Backus '95, Chicago, Ill., is the southeast general manager for OpenTable.com. **Elizabeth Jensen Corning** '95, Madison, is an account representative with Great Lakes Higher Education. **Rod Grimme** '95 is a pressroom/bindery supervisor at Wisconsin Web Offset, Brookfield. **Peter Isaacson** '95 is an applications eng-ineer in the Packaging Systems Division of 3M, St. Paul, Minn. **Terri Malison** '95, Waukesha, is a second grade teacher in Milwaukee.

Brad Anderson '96 is manager of the Wyndham International new guest recognition program, Wyndham ByRequest, at the 350-room Wyndham Buttes Resort, Tempe, Ariz. **William Andres** '96 is child care director at High Ridge YMCA, Chicago, Ill. **Daniel Berg** '96 is an environmental designer for John Ryan Co., Minneapolis. **Gregory D. Brown** '96 is a technology education teacher for the Shawano-Gresham School District, Shawano. **Linda Clyne MS** '96 is a family law mediator/guardian ad litem for the Florida Supreme Court, St. Augustine, Fla. **Laura Reuss Cronan** '96 is a family and consumer sciences teacher for Alden-Conger School, Alden, Minn. **Charles Fredrickson** '96 is a construction manager for Hoffman Corp., Appleton. **Michael Goeden** '96 is quality manager at Russell T. Gilman Inc., Grafton. **Beth Gordon** '96 is an assistant manager for Best Buy Stores, Long Island, N.Y. **Jill Granger** '96 is

manager of Old Country Buffet, Racine. **Jennifer Gajewski Hieb** '96 is a service team leader for Rise Inc., Minneapolis. Kevin '98 and **Leslie Peterson Hildebrandt** '98 reside in Fremont. Kevin is a safety representative with Miron Construction Inc.; Leslie is the owner of Riversong Studio. **Jonathan Hornblad** '96 is a fixture designer for Best Buy Co., Eden Prairie, Minn. **Scott Janus** '96 is a manufacturing engineer with Schindler Elevator Co., Clinton, N.C. **Jennifer Jaworski** '96 is manager of the baby department at Burlington Coat Factory, Reno, Nev. **Brian C. Larson** '96 is an engineer at Carl Zeiss, Minneapolis, Minn. **Regina Wood Lien** '96 is a protective behavior educator for Family Support Center, Chippewa Falls. **Laura Murphy** '96 is human resources director for the Wyndham Cleveland Hotel at Playhouse Square, Cleveland, Ohio. **Brian Neste** '96 is director of Daylight Software Inc., Dover, N.H. **Jill Smutny Pedretti** '96 is a kindergarten teacher at Eagle Bluff School, Onalaska. **Janet Pelkola** '96 is a program coordinator for AME Community Services, Golden Valley, Minn. **Tricia Perkins** '96 is a HR generalist for CSM Corp., St. Paul, Minn. **Angela Karnopp Peterson** '96 is a sales coordinator for Sheraton Madison Hotel, Madison. **Annette Roter** MS '96 is a senior technical consultant with CompuWare Corp., Bloomington, Minn. **Craig Runnells** '96, Wauwatosa, has joined Four Points Hotel Sheraton Milwaukee Airport as sales manager. **Sarah Schmidt** '96 is guest care manager for Marriott, Dublin, Ohio. **Dennis Snarski** '96 is a manufacturing engineer for Nexen Group Inc., Webster. **Jill Walser** '96 is a sales representative with Kirsch Fabrics, Minneapolis, Minn. **Bradley Wardman** '96, Beloit, is a technology education teacher for Parkview School District. **Kristine Welle** '96 is employed in the property management division of Cornerstone Development, Fargo, N. Dak. **Timothy Williamson** '96 is a project manager for Biosel Inc., Burlington.

Births

A daughter, Emma, Feb. 21, to Craig and **Julie “Jap” Pecina Ahern** '80, Waukegan, Ill. A daughter, Megan Ann, June 16, to Gary and **Pamela Mero Wolf** '80, Mahtomedi, Minn. A daughter, Erin Karenn, May 23, 2000, to Roger and **Vicky School Mendez** '81, Patterson, N.Y. A daughter, Baili Lynn, May 16, 1999, to **John** '81 and **Kelli Stewart**, Pewaukee. A son, Nicholas Sansbury, March 29, 2000, to Stephen and **Lori Mehring Wyckoff** '81, New York, N.Y. A son, Payton Joseph, Aug. 4, to Tracy and **Susan Stuckey Goudreau** '82, Fox Point. A daughter, Katelyn Marie, Jan. 2, 2000, to John and **Pamela Menefee Pogue** '82, Lancaster, Penna. A daughter, Colleen Marie, June 5, 2000, to **Charles** '82 and **Marcia Virgil**, Waterloo. A son, Haakon Diedrich, July 20, to Gene and **Ruth Navrestad Schriefer** '83, Mineral Point. A son, Christian Gene, May 23, 1999, to **Mark** '84 and **Lynn Shimota Honnold** '85, Chanhassen, Minn. A daughter, Isabel Anna, Oct. 12, to Angelo and **Patricia Gunderson Nardone** '84, Woodbridge, Va. A daughter, Kendra Baril, May 10, 2000, to Robert and **Margot Peterson Sheehan** '84, Columbus, Ohio. A son, Patrick William, Nov. 21, to **Peter** '84 and **Ada Young**, Sealy, Texas. Twins, Rachel Kathleen and Claire Elizabeth, Oct. 11, to **Mark** '86 and **Debra Bentfield**, Minneapolis, Minn. A daughter, Sophia, April 4, 1999, to Scott and **Cara Seppi Bern** '86, Mequon. A daughter, Abigail Catherine, May 12, 2000, to **Steven** '86 and **Julie Joosten**, Oak Creek. A son, John Edward, June 21, 2000, to Patrick and **Judy Amundson Keenan** '86, Glenview, Ill. A son, Jerod Richard, Sept. 22, 1999, to **Richard** '86 and **Deborah Kuhn**, Littleton, Colo. A son, Jared Jay, April 29, 2000, to Jay and **Leslie Stebbins Mortenson** '86, Merrill. A daughter, Jennifer Marie, May 8, 2000, to Michael and **Jean Feyen Niemeyer** '86, Appleton. A daughter, Olivia Marie, June 3, 2000, to **Michael** '86 and **Sarah Owens**, Eden Prairie, Minn. A daughter, Elisabeth

1997—2000

Kevin '97 and **Lisa Purcell Burke** '98 reside in Maple Lake, Minn. Kevin is employed in the Marketing Department of Xcel Energy, Minneapolis; Lisa is employed in the International Department of Pillsbury, Minneapolis. **Joel** '97 and **Sarah Kraft Cartwright** '96 reside in Prior Lake, Minn. Joel has received a master's degree in vocational education and educational leadership; Sarah is a child care resource and referral coordinator with Community Action Council. **Kathryn Evanson Cooper** '97, Silverdale, Wash., teaches second grade for the Bremerton School District. **Gretchen Hanson** '97, St. Paul, Minn., is an eligibility worker for Washington County. **Evie Russell Johnson** '97 is a software engineer at Rockwell Collins, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. **Preston Lougheed** '97, Eden Prairie, Minn., is general manager of the Eden Prairie Fairfield Inn. **Thomas Michlig** '97 is a graphic designer with Tamzen Media, Wausau. **Michael Peske** '97, Oak Creek, is a project engineer/mechanical engineer at Electronic Cable Specialists. **Jill Radloff** '97 is a S.A.G.E. teacher at Boyd Elementary School, Eau Claire. **Melissa Rieckenberg** '97 is an assistant buyer for Trade Associates Group, Chicago, Ill.

Christopher Aune '98 is a materials control analyst at 3M, St. Paul, Minn. **Jennifer Baier** '98 is a designer with Stumpf, Weber and Assoc., Minneapolis. **Jolene Benitz Bird** '98, Boyceville, is a kindergarten teacher for Boyceville School District. **Amy Tierney Bowen** '98 is the education director at Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware, Smyrna, Del. **Jerry Cegielski** '98, Sheboygan, is a quality project analyst for Kohler Co. **Sara Church** '98, Cincinnati, Ohio, is a territory manager for Hormel Foods. **Rebekah Tedesco Colson** '98 is a senior resident advisor for Transitional Services Inc., McKees Rocks, Penna. **Denise Dahl Corrigan** '98, River Falls, is a K-1 teacher for Baldwin-Woodville School District. **Lori Lawrence Decker** '98 is a case

manager for Elmergreen Associates Inc., Wausau. **Amy Doeple** '98, Chicago, Ill., is employed in employee and labor relations at Hyatt Corporate Office. **Richard Eisenhuth** '98 is a loan officer for Bankers USA Mortgage Corp., Boca Raton, Fla. **Alyssa Sederholm Farrar** '98 is staffing and personnel manager for Prom Management Group Inc., Oakdale, Minn. **Tammy Schultz Forseth** '98 is an employment specialist with REACH Inc., Eau Claire. **Melanie Garvey** '98, Waupaca, is a kindergarten teacher for New London School District. **Candice Goebel Grunseth** '98, Gilman, is a program manager at Crossroads Mental Health Services and an EMT for the Taylor County Ambulance. **Julie Jost Herzfeldt** '98 is a home economist with Reiman Publications, Greendale. **Heidi Johnson** '98 is a designer for the Corpus Christi Caller Times, Corpus Christi, Texas. **Jessica Kelm** '98, Delano, Minn., is a technical trainer with MetLife Auto and Home Insurance Co. **Jeremy Kolbe** '98 is a construction superintendent for Pulte Homes, Mendota Heights, Minn. **Sueann Koller** '98 is a customer service representative for Action Printing, Fond du Lac. **Nicole Kunkel** '98 is manager of Taco John's, Burnsville, Minn. **Amy Kusserow** '98 is manager of “You're Special” Gifts and Collectibles, Appleton. **Tracie La Nou** '98 is a registered dietitian at Taher Inc., Minnetonka, Minn. **Peter** '98 and **Susan Tix Lau** '98 reside in Cottage Grove, Minn. Peter is an account coordinator at Amidon Graphics, St. Paul, Minn.; Susan is a kindergarten teacher at Kinderberry Hill Child Development Center, Maplewood, Minn. **Juan Macias** '98, Sheboygan, is an industrial engineer with Kohler Co. **Donna Moraska** MS '98, Menomonie, is director of the Pierce County Public Health Department. **Nichole Norman** '98, Beloit, is a family and consumer education teacher at Clinton High School. **Chyanne Wilde Pechacek** '98 is assistant manager at Wal-Mart, Hudson. **Wendy Rinholen** MS '98 is a counselor at Black Hawk College,

Kewanee, Ill. **Matthew Rolli** '98, Baldwin, is manager of the digital/design department at Signergy Sign Group. **Laura Rudoph** MS '98 is a dietitian at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital, Dallas, Texas. **Pamela Staff** '98 is general manager of Northwoods Brewpub and Grill, Eau Claire. **Brenda Bonesteel Stoddard** '98, Altoona, is a kindergarten teacher for Mondovi School District. **Linda Tate** '98 is a job coach for Lutheran Social Services, Menomonie. **Robert Weir** '98 is a claim representative for State Farm Insurance, Vadnais Heights, Minn. **Katy Wilson** '98 is a process development an-alyst for GE Capital, Eden Prairie, Minn.

Amy Hansen Dean '99 is employed by the Ramsey County Attorney's Office, St. Paul, Minn. **Kendra Naef** '99, Appleton, is a family and consumer sciences education teacher at Kimberly High School. **Andrew Neumann** '99, Winona, Minn., is employed by Rivers Hotel Group. **David Ruedy** '99 is the restaurant manager at the Yarrow Resort and Conference Center, Park City, Utah. **Marc Ruska** '99 is an examiner with FDIC, Eau Claire. **Gretchen Sommerfeldt** '99, Wauwatosa, has joined Zizzo Group Advertising as a graphic designer. **Tara Tepe** '99 is a banquet manager for Walt Disney World at the Grand Floridian, Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

Sara Milliren Asher '00, Spring Valley, is a family and consumer education teacher at Hudson High School. **Angela Cook** '00, Prior Lake, Minn., is a customer service representative for the Thermo King division of Ingersoll-Rand. Thermo King is the world leader in transport refrigeration. **Thomas DeLain** '00, Baraboo, is a technology education teacher at Dodgeville High School. **Brenda Nickel** '00, Wisconsin Dells, is a kindergarten teacher for the Unified School District of Antigo. **Tori Fritschler** '00 is an associate designer with Stearns, St. Cloud, Minn.

Dec. 26, to Leonard and **Kristin Rosera Davis** '91, Dyersburg, Tenn. A son, Bryce Kristopher, Oct. 22, to **Gerald** '91 and **Rita McPherson Lingen** '94, Stanley. A daughter, Mackenzie Mae, Nov. 27 to **Roger** '91and **Jeanne Myrkle**, Corcoran, Minn. A daughter, Hannah Christine, Nov. 19, to **Ryan** '91 and **Christine Macke Nielsen** '94, Maplewood, Minn. A daughter, Alyssa Helen, July 8, to David and **Denise Hunter Pask** '91, Mounds View, Minn. A daughter, Amanda Ann, March 26, 2000, to **Peter** '91 and **Brenda Blunck Skittone** '90, Elk Grove, Ill. A son, Peter Andrew, Aug. 8, to Grant and **Andrea Lambert Thayer** '91, Rochester, Minn. A son, Alexander Matthew, Sept. 12, to Beji and **Pamela Heuer Varghese** '91, Alpharetta, Ga. A daughter, Alexandra Dawn, Sept. 14, to Michael and **Denise Hildebrandt Wolf** '91, Dayton, Minn. A son, Zachary Ronald, Nov. 21, to Bret and **Trisha Zube Schubert** '91, Fishers, Ind. A daughter, Jessi Nicole, Jan. 16, to Timothy and **Sheila Leonhardt Barger** '92, Rock Falls, Ill. A son, Austin Michael, July 25, to Darrell and **Ann Bomba Cook** '92, Rosemount, Minn. A son, Benjamin William, May 22, 2000, to **Andrew** '92 and **April Griglak Gagnon** '92, New Holstein. A daughter, Carlene Lucille, July 7, to Rick and **Tina Enzweiler Blenkush** '93, Burnsville, Minn. A son, Nicholas Sawyer, March 2000, to David and **Jodi Hubbard Burns** '93, Rochester, Minn. A son, Henry Lawrence, May 29, 2000, to **James** '93 and **Lynn Marek**, St. Paul, Minn. A daughter, Hailey Grace, June 29, 2000, to **David** '93 and **Lisa Call Semrau** '95, Orlando, Fla. A daughter, Cailey Grace, Oct. 19, to **Douglas** '93 and **Sheri Noel Sorensen** '94, Fall Creek. A son, Ryan James, Feb. 18, 2000, to Marty and **Margaret “Meg” Felker Tryba** '93, Somerset. A daughter, Julia Kailyn, May 7, 2000, to **Troy** '94 and **Kimberly Buttjer Cleasby** '94, Eagan, Minn. A daughter, Brook, Feb. 12, 2000, to **Jesse** BA '94, MS '96 and **Lynnette Spiering Jackson**

BA '95, MS '97, Phillips. A daughter, Mariah Maxine, June 27, 2000, to **Aaron** '94 and **Joy Keopple**, Holmen. A daughter, Chanda Lyn, June 6, 2000, to **Jeff** '94 and **Kathryn Raddatz Royle** '94, Charlotte, N.C. A son, Samuel Abraham, July 10, to Ward and **Suzanne Ocampo Wittman** '94, Spencer. A daughter, Elana Grace, May 5, 2000, to **Eric** '95 and **Amy DeCurtins Double** '94, Woodbury, Minn. A son, Wesley William, Oct. 23, to **William** '95 and **Paula Paित्रick McIntyre** '93, Merrill. A daughter, Katelyn Suzann, Feb. 19, 2000, to Craig and **Traci Dishnow Charette** '96, Kingsford, Mich. A son, Mitchell Lee, June 15, 2000, to Jeffery and **Amy Schoer Junge** BS '96, MS '97, Sanborn, Minn. A daughter, Madeline Rae, to Timothy and **Jill Smutny Pedretti** '96, Holmen. A son, Adam, Feb. 16, 2000, to Brian and **Jennifer Nelson Rechtzigel** '96, Clarks Grove, Minn. A daughter, Sarah Catherine, Oct. 13, to **Kevin** '97 and **Lisa Purcell Burke** '98, Maple Lake, Minn. A daughter, Jacinda Evelyn, Dec. 23, to Sean and **Carrie Briones Hickey** '97, Isanti, Minn. A son, Hunter John, Dec. 4, to **Traves** '97 and **Kelly Klawiter Peterson** '96, Highlands Ranch, Colo. A daughter, Autumn Mae, July 21, to Chris and **Kelly Beard Scoon** '97, Ellison Bay. A son, Christopher Edward, June 20, 2000, to **Mark** '97 and **Nichole Lundberg Tile** '95, Farmington, Minn. A daughter, Taryn, Feb. 20, 2000, to Kevin and **Michelle Durkin Ploessl** '98, Brooklyn. A son, Isaiah Matthew, Nov. 7, to **Matthew** '98 and **Kathryn Kaiser Rolli** '98, Baldwin.

Adoptions

Robert and **Karen Keyport Valdez** '78, San Antonio, Texas, a son, Anthony, October 2000. **Ray** '82 and **Ann Hallada Hill** BS '83, MS '87, Madison, a son, Daniel William, March 2000.

Deaths

Esther O. Sundberg Dip. '21, BS '25, Sept. 2, Brainerd, Minn. **Lloyd Benson** '25, July 28, Madison. **George T. Jackson** Dip. '25, BS '35, July 9, Southampton, N.J. **Julia Solie Rowe** Dip. '26, May 15, 1999, Wadena, Minn. **Gertrude Samida Taggart** Dip. '26, BS '50, Dec. 12, Rhinelander. **Burl Banks** '29, Jan. 12, Chetek. **Lydia Stindt Hawkes** '29, Jan. 29, Madison. **Eldrid Wike Walsh** '32, Oct. 7, New Richmond. **Dewey F. Barich** '33, Feb. 9, Green Valley, Ariz. **Evelyn Anderson Rasmussen** '33, Oct. 30, 1999, Des Moines, Iowa. **LeRoy Charlick** '35, July 12, Harlingen, Texas. **John Feirer** '36, Dec. 23, Kalamazoo, Mich. **Mabel Joos Murdock** '37, Oct. 27, Ocala, Fla. **Neil Blank** '38, Feb. 4, Bloomington, Minn. **Mary Frances Snively Lowell** '38, Nov. 15, Florence, Ore. **Helen Dawson** '39, Jan. 11, Madison. **Helen Smith Iverson** '39, Oct. 16, Menomonie. **Harold Benjamin** '41, Nov. 11, Fergus

Falls, Minn. **Julia Maurin Hill** '42, Aug. 17, Flint, Mich. **Elizabeth (Bette) Rasmussen Halvorson** '43, Oct. 12, St. Ansgar, Iowa. **Marjory Tanz** '44, Aug. 1, Green Bay. **Pauline Miller Luckey** '45, July 14, Loveland, Colo. **Florine Lindow Milbrath** '45, March 2, River Falls. **Veryle Traeger Mitchell** '45, Jan. 6, 2000, Texarkana, Ark. **Rudolph Albert** '46, June 28, 1999, Ypsilanti, Mich. **Roy Kaner** '46, Jan. 1, Eau Galle. **Conrad Mayer** BS '47, MS '50, April 22, 2000, Fond du Lac. **Eugene Kramschuster** '48, Jan. 20, Tucson, Ariz. **Edward Ralph** '49, May 3, 2000, Danbury. **Robert P. Gray** '50, Jan. 22, Montgomery, Ill. **Lewis Jackson** '50, Oct. 9, Indianapolis, Ind. **Mary Jean Swanson Bogenhagen** '51, Dec. 14, Merrill. **Doris Heil Kirk** '52, June 10, 2000, Luck. **Michael Pavlicin** BS '53, MS '57, Aug. 22, Arcadia. **Alan Stuve** '56, May 12, 2000, Hartland. **Ronald M. Walker** '56, Nov. 12,

Spooner. **Joyce Fraedrich Walter** BS '56, MS '69, Oct. 2000, Burke, Va. **Gerald Bleskacek** BS '58, MS '63, Oct. 26, Bloomer. **William Hemsey** BS '59, MS '66, Sept. 15, Winona, Minn. **Irving Gabriliska** '60, Jan. 16, Kimberly. **Margo Steber Varo** '62, Feb. 1, Seneca. **Sandra Gill** BS '63, MS '67, Jan. 29, Menomonie. **Judith Baewer McDermott** '66, July 15, Random Lake. **Katherine “Katy” Rose Richardson** '68, July 30, Lyndonville, Vt. **Edward L. Burton** MS '69, June 4, Litchfield Park, Ariz. **Joseette Holt Martins** MS '69, July 18, Eden Prairie, Minn. **Gerald Schwarz** BS '69, MS '71, July 13, Mukwonago. **Linda Howell Stahl** MS '70, Aug. 6, Elk Mound. **Ronald Smies** '71, Dec. 26, Oostburg. **Tom Strehlo** BS '71, MS '75, Ed.S. '84, Menomonie. **Richard Dettman** '72, June 17, 2000, Delavan. **Steven D. Jansen** '72, Oct. 15,

Menasha. **Robert A. Richardson** '72, Oct. 29, Manitowoc. **Leonard Baer** '73, July 20, Neenah. **William Sandberg** BS '73, MS '75, May 19, 2000, Juneau. **Clement Stapleton** MS '73, July 28, Winter. **Stephen Yourchuck** '73, June 18, 2000, Georgetown. **Michael Ingels** '74, Nov. 16, Plymouth. **Thomas E. Michael** '74, April 27, 2000, West Bend. **Pamela Siegel Schenk** '74, April 1, Milwaukee. **Michelle Schoepp Weber** '77, July 16, Green Bay. **George D. Grant** MS '78, Sept. 16, Schaumburg, Ill. **Den-nis Lombard** '79, Oct. 30, Seattle, Wash. **Theodore Hovde** '82, May 5, 2000, Rice Lake. **Krishna West** '85, Aug. 20, Mountain View, Calif. **David Blumenauer** '86, May 4, 2000, Colfax. **Mary Cheryl Marty Lynch** MS '92, July 12, New Richmond.

Marriages

Enid Ehlen '72 to **Jeffrey Reames** '87, July 7. Couple resides in Wabasha, Minn. **Eileen Slack** '72 to Philip Batchelor, April 15, 2000. Couple resides in Rockford, Ill. **Barbara Sinclair** '76 to **Kerry Staehler** '79. Couple resides in Wittenberg. **Yvonne Boller Hartz** MS '77 to George Nelson, July 29. Couple resides in Menomonie. **Sharon L. Mueller** '79 to Russ Lewellen, July 2000. Couple resides in St. Louis Park, Minn. Dawn Suter to **Gary Sjurset** '79, Dec. 30. Couple resides in Abilene, Texas. Judith Petke to **Jeffrey W. Johnson** '85, March 25, 2000. Couple resides in Marshfield. Nilda Castilleja to **Robert O'Reilly** '88, Aug. 26. Couple resides in Weston, Fla. **Jodie Hofkamp** '88 to Paul Echols, Oct. 3. Couple resides in Modesto, Calif. **Kelli Rae Smith** '88 to Jesse Swinson, Nov. 3. Couple resides in Oak Creek. **Jennifer Bathke** '90 to Mark Hostettler, Aug. 19. Couple resides in Berlin. **Kelli Foster** '90 to Ron Buffo, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in Louisville, Colo. **Tracy Rademann** '91 to Ralph Gundert, Oct. 28. Couple resides in Beaver Dam. Jill Pierson to **Stephen Kraft** '92, April 29, 2000. Couple resides in Carver, Minn. Diana and **Gary Parkos** '92, Nov. 4. Couple resides in Canton, Mich. **Barbara Felland** '93 to Spencer

Whiting, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in Baxter, Minn. **Ginger Hartse** '93 to Aaron Lobliner, June 1. Couple resides in Oxford, Mich. **Kim Koziicki** '93 to Thomas Flottesmesch, May 28, 1999. Couple resides in Pullman, Wash. **Kathleen Peters** '93 to Raymond Beseler, May 6, 2000. Couple resides in Plymouth. **Kelli Adamson** '94 to **J.J. Levenske** '95, April 2000. Couple resides in Pequot Lakes, Minn. Wendy Esselman to **Christopher Lindner** '94, July 22. Couple resides in Loyal. April and **Bradley Moellenberndt** '94, Nov. 11. Couple resides in Monroe. Tena Nelson to **Brad Preissel** '94, March 25, 2000. Couple resides in Wisconsin Dells. **Richelle Rappa** '94 to Louis Bohm. Couple resides in Haverhill, Mass. Cynthia Reissman to **Michael Mayne** '94, May 28, 2000. Couple resides in St. Louis Park, Minn. Kimberly Ballard to **Brian Hettinger** '95, April 15, 2000. Couple resides in Chicago. Stephanie Bombardier to **Sean Kacsir** '95, May 13, 2000. Couple resides in Bentonville, Ark. Elizabeth Frey to **Jeffrey Neufeld** '95, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in Antigo. Lisa Grobe to **Peter Isaacson** '95, Oct. 14. Couple resides in Hudson. **Elizabeth Jensen** '95 to Peter Corning, Aug. 12. Couple resides in Madison. **Carrie Swanstrom** '95 to James Homann, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in

Port Byron, Ill. **Jessica Beilfuss** '96 to **Richard Wellner** '96, Aug. 14, 1999. Couple resides in Knoxville, Tenn. Tracy Berwig to **Jeffrey Van Zeeland** '96, Oct. 8, 1999. Couple resides in Kaukauna. **Jennifer Gajewski** '96 to Marty Hieb, Sept. 11, 1999. Couple resides in Plymouth, Minn. **Kris Heintz** '96 to **Chad Nelson** '94, June 21, 2000. Couple resides in Lafayette, Colo. **Laura Murphy** '96 to Jeff Vogt, March 17. Couple resides in Wauwatosa. Erin Sullivan to **Brian C. Larson** '96, Aug. 19. Couple resides in St. Paul, Minn. **Laurie Coates** '97 to **Michael Hurtgen** '97, Sept. 23. Couple resides in St. Paul, Minn. **Kathryn Evanson** '97 to Michael Cooper, Nov. 20, 1999. Couple resides in Silverdale, Wash. **Amy Fries** '97 to **Erik Arnetveit** '97, Aug. 5. Couple resides in Green Lake. Kimberly Krekowski to **James Matthys** '97, July 8. Couple resides in Brodhead. **Leah Petersen** '97 to Bob Baillargeon, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in Somerset. **Evie Russell** '97 to Derek Johnson, Nov. 4. Couple resides in Walker, Iowa. **Barbara Schommer** '97 to Karl McIntire, Oct. 7. Couple resides in Somerset. Betsy Thill to **Aaron Scribner** '97, Aug. 19. Couple resides in Menomonie. **Julie Vossen** '97 to **Chad Gregoire**, Sept. 9. Couple resides in Victoria, Minn. **Dayna Wells** '97 to **Jason Johnson** '97,

Nov. 4. Couple resides in Hudson. **Brenda Bonesteel** '98 to Chad Stoddard, Jan. 1. Couple resides in Altoona. **Denise Dahl** '98 to Chris Corrigan, Aug. 5. Couple resides in River Falls. **Candice Goebel** '98 to Philip Grunseth, Aug. 26. Couple resides in Gilman. **Melissa Brandt** '98 to **David Fichtinger** '98, June 19, 2000. Couple resides in Rochester, Minn. Jennifer Chovanec to **John Schmidt** '98, Aug. 5. Couple resides in Eau Claire. **Denise Dahl** '98 to Chris Corrigan, Aug. 5. Couple resides in River Falls. **Michelle Durkin** '98 to Kevin Ploessl, Oct. 30, 1999. Couple resides in Brooklyn. **Sheila Marsolek** '98 to Jerrod Hoff, Aug. 14, 1999. Couple resides in Nelson. **Amy Tierney** '98 to Jason Bowen, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in Dover, Del. **Susan Tix** '98 to **Peter Lau** '98, Dec. 31, 1999. Couple resides in Cottage Grove, Minn. **Amy Hansen** '99 to Jeff Dean, Sept. 16. Couple resides in Blaine, Minn. Mary Strande to **Justin Galke** '99, July 3, 1999. Couple resides in Winona, Minn. **Amy Zwolanek** '99 to Lance Laird, Oct. 7. Couple resides in Eau Claire. **Sara Milliren** '00 to Jeff Asher, July 15. Couple resides in Spring Valley.

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